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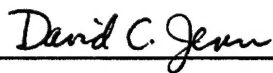
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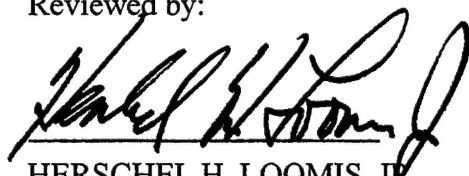
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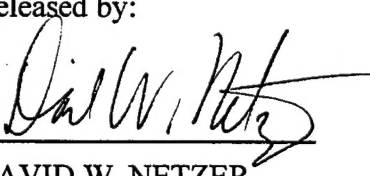
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1.0 INTRODUCTION

Computer aided design (CAD) has become a standard tool used both by the Navy and contractors in the design of ships. Detailed ship drawings are generated with CAD software such as AutoCAD. The advantage is that modification and redesign are relatively easy because of the associativity of entities (i.e., points, lines, circles, surfaces, etc.). The CAD database contains the relationships between all entities. Therefore, the secondary effects of modifying an edge, for example, are automatically accounted for when other structures that contain the modified edge are generated.

The ability for rapidly modifying a structure is ideal for concurrent engineering, that is, the simultaneous design of a system by all engineering disciplines. Electromagnetic (EM), fluid, and structural designers can all use the same CAD database for their analyses. Any changes made to the system are immediately available to all engineers.

For the electromagnetic design of systems, several computer codes are available to government agencies and contractors that use triangular facet models of bodies to define scattering and radiation structures. They include PATCH, CARLOS-3D, and FERM [1-3], all of which are written in the FORTRAN language. FERM has its own preprocessing program to generate geometry files. Furthermore, it uses binary data files which are not easily transportable between computer codes and systems. CARLOS-3D can use geometry files generated by the CAD program ACAD without modification. However, CARLOS-3D can only solve scattering problems, not radiation (antenna) problems. PATCH is capable of solving both scattering and radiation problems. It uses an ASCII input file that defines the body on the basis of edge connections (as opposed to triangle connections). The edge definition approach can be ambiguous in some isolated (but predictable) special cases.

For the primary application considered here, high frequency (HF) ship antenna analysis, PATCH has been found to be most useful. However, PATCH has only a basic geometry preprocessor capable of simple shapes such as plates, cylinders, cones, and spheres. The data for more complex shapes must be input by hand. It involves defining the nodes of every triangle on the body and specifying an edge connection list. Ship models that are meshed for use up to 30 MHz have about 3000 nodes (triangle vertices) and 5000 edges. In this case, data entry itself is a major effort. Furthermore, if a ship modification is to be investigated, portions of the structure may have to be remeshed and re-input, which again represents a major effort. It is apparent that for computational EM codes to be practical engineering tools, an efficient surface meshing operation must be available.

The CAD application ACAD (Advanced Computer Aided Design) is capable of performing the desired automeshing. Databases from other CAD programs can be imported into ACAD and then meshed and output in a special "facet" format. The facet file is ASCII and contains the node and facet information required by PATCH, although it is not in the proper format. An ACAD-to-PATCH translator was written to reformat the facet file into one that is recognized by PATCH. Therefore, *it is now possible to take a NAVSEA CAD file, mesh it automatically in ACAD, and then use the output to run PATCH.*

This report summarizes the development of the automeshing process and the step-by-step procedure to go from a CAD drawing file to PATCH input file. First an overview is given of the two CAD applications used here: ACAD and AutoCAD. The automeshing procedure is described, and special file format translation software is also presented. Finally, some shipboard applications are discussed and a few helpful hints and guidelines are given.

2.0 CAD PROGRAMS

2.1 ACAD GENERAL DESCRIPTION¹

ACAD (Advanced Computer Aided Design) [4-5] provides users with the ability to create and modify geometry in two- or three-dimensions. Users can choose to model geometry with wireframes, surfaces, or solids. ACAD is the primary tool used by Lockheed Fort Worth Company's Advanced Programs for configuration and subsystem design of new and existing aircraft programs. ACAD's primary role is the generation of geometry and some limited analysis. Much of the analysis performed within ACAD is geometrical analysis. For other types of analysis, ACAD generates interface files for transferring to groups who specialize in a particular analysis field such as Radar Cross Section (RCS), Aero, or Computational Fluid Dynamics (CFD).

Inputting data to ACAD is accomplished through one of many input modes available to the designer. Example options include digitizing locations, entering explicit coordinate values, snap to grid, and intersections. Each entity (splines, lines, points, surfaces, etc.) can have individual color, width, and style attributes. Logical groupings of entities can be separated and managed with layers, groups, and blanking. ACAD models can be viewed orthographically or in perspective. Users can specify view orientation and choose to display geometry in multiple window configurations. Window operations such as panning, zooming, and auto extents are accomplished at any time providing instream capability. The ACAD user can also control the display

¹Most of the material in this section is taken directly from reference 4

of surfaces or solids with options as wireframe, hidden line removal, flat, or Gouraud shading.

At the heart of the ACAD system is the associative database. In an associative database, geometry is linked together in a relational structure that remembers parent/child dependencies. This type of database enables rapid modifications of geometry, since modifying one geometric element automatically adjusts its dependencies based on a set of predefined rules. For instance, changing a control spline of a fuselage will automatically regenerate any surface(s) built with the spline. In turn, any geometry that is associated to the fuselage surface (i.e., plane/curve and surface intersections, fillets) will automatically regenerate.

Within ACAD exists a read/write Initial Graphics Exchange Specification (IGES) translator. The IGES translator allows ACAD the ability to exchange drawing data with other CAD systems that support IGES. Example CAD systems include CAD-CAM, CATIA, COMPUTERVISION, and AutoCAD.

The ACAD system also supports a binary data file converter. This built in converter enables a binary file created on the SUN to be read in directly on a Silicon Graphics or Apollo workstation without having to convert to a neutral ASCII file. This utility is extremely beneficial to projects supporting a mixture of workstations and using a transparent networking system. Hardcopy output is available on a variety of devices accessed through ACAD. Additional features of the system are:

1. Three-dimensional lines drawings
2. Analysis geometry models
3. Three- and Five-View drawings

Table 1 contains more information on the types of commands available on ACAD Version 9.0.

2.2 AUTOCAD GENERAL DESCRIPTION ²

The capabilities of AutoCAD³ [6] are similar to those of ACAD. AutoCAD is one of the most widely distributed CAD programs, and runs on all platforms (UNIX, DOS and Windows, and Macintosh). As in the case of ACAD, the effect of every change made to a drawing appears immediately on screen.

²Most of the material in this section is taken directly from reference 6

³Frequently the AutoCAD suite of programs is collectively referred to as ACAD. This terminology is not used here to avoid confusion with the ACAD discussed in Section 2.1.

Table 1: Summary of ACAD Commands

Transformations

Scale
Translate
Rotate
Mirror
Copy

Intersections

Curve-Curve
Curve-Plane
Curve-Surface
Plane-Surface
Surface-Surface
Curve Projections onto Surfaces

Display Options

1026 User Defined Layers
Blank On, Off, and On Only
Color, Style, and Width Line Fonts
Hidden Line, Flat, and Gouraud Shading
Auxiliary Viewing
Orthographic or Perspective Viewing
Multiple Windows (up to 6)
Dynamic Viewing
Zooming, Panning, and Auto Extents

Drafting Utilities

Break, Trim, and Join Curves
Corner
Grouping
Construction Planes
Local Coordinate Systems
Offsets
Text and Dimensions
Groups, Dittos, and Details
Crosshatching

Input Options

Digitize
Reference Existing Data Points
Key in Explicit x , y , z
Intersection
Point On
Snap to Grid
Hierarchical Input Mode

Three Dimension Design

Point, Line, and Spline Primitives
Conic, Circles, and Ellipses Primitives
Six Forms of Surfaces
Curve and Surface Editing
Trimmed Surfaces (Faces)
Mass Properties (volumes, CGS, areas)
Offset Surfaces
Wireframe, Surface, & Solid Modeling

AutoCAD functions lets the user modify the drawing in a variety of ways. Entities can be erased or moved, or copied to form repeated patterns. The user can change the view of the drawing displayed on screen, or display information about the drawing. AutoCAD also provides drawing aids that allow the positioning of entities accurately. The simple command format of AutoCAD allows the user to accomplish most of the functions in Table 1. One important exception is the inability to generate a shell mesh. Therefore, automeshing must be performed in ACAD.

2.3 IGES FILES

2.3.1 INTRODUCTION

The AutoCAD and ACAD support translation of drawings to and from the Initial Graphics Exchange Specification (IGES). IGES is a public-domain data specification intended as an international standard for the exchange of information between CAD systems.⁴ An IGES translator is written specifically for a given CAD program but, in principle, enables drawings to be transferred to and from other CAD systems that also support IGES (in IGES, these are known as *sending* and *receiving* systems).

Files created using the IGES format will consist of at most six sections of information, five of which are mandatory. These sections must exist in the following order:

1. Flag Section (not always present)

This section of the IGES file signals the format used to write the file. The absence of this section is interpreted to mean that the normal ASCII format was used when creating the file.

2. Start Section

The Start Section is intended to be a human-readable prologue containing comments about the IGES file.

3. Global Section

The Global Section of the IGES file contains information about the CAD system that created the file and information that should be considered by the CAD system interpreting the file before the IGES file is processed.

4. Directory Entry Section

The Directory Entry Section consists of one two-line entry for each entity described by the IGES file.

⁴For a complete description of IGES, see reference 7.

5. Parameter Data Section

The Parameter Data Section of the IGES file contains the geometric information that will be used to reconstruct each entity.

6. Terminate Section

The goal of an IGES translation is to preserve the geometry and functionality of entities in a CAD drawing or an IGES file. This process does have limits. As with all translation, concepts that can be expressed precisely in one language may not have exact equivalents in another language; conversely, concepts common to two languages may be expressed differently by each. The situation applies as much to CAD data as to natural languages. When entities have no direct correspondence between IGES and the entities in a particular CAD program, the translator maps them to similar constructs that attempt to preserve as much data as possible.

For example, IGES has no direct equivalent to an AutoCAD tapered polyline. To translate a tapered polyline, AutoCAD creates an IGES Composite Curve segment whose width is the average of the polyline's starting and ending widths. Similarly, AutoCAD has no counterpart to the IGES Parametric Spline Surface, so AutoCAD approximates these entities with 3D meshes.

Many drawings can be translated with little or no loss of data, but even in this case, the entities used to represent the drawing may change in translation. This means that IGES is not fully symmetrical: reading an IGES file with the same program that was used to create it does not necessarily lead to a drawing that is identical to the original. The more complex the drawing, the more likely that information will have to be approximated (this applies especially to drawings that are heavily annotated or hierarchically organized, or that use complex three-dimensional entities). For a one-time translation to or from IGES, this may not pose a great problem. If, however, one is concerned with maintaining drawings that must be translated between the two systems over a period of time, it is necessary to be familiar with the details of both the send and receive translators as well as the details of IGES formats.

IGES has been distributed in successive versions, with each version providing additional features and enhancements to existing features. Because it is intended as a long-term standard, a new IGES version attempts to support all features that have been officially part of any earlier version.

2.3.2 IGES FOR AUTOCAD

The AutoCAD IGESIN and IGESOUT commands support translation of drawings to and from IGES. AutoCAD generates files that are compatible with IGES 4.0.

It can successfully read files that conform to the IGES 2.0, 3.0, and 4.0 file formats provided they employ the fixed-length ASCII form. IGES entities supported by AutoCAD are shown in Figures 1 and 2.

2.3.3 IGES FOR ACAD

ACAD has the ability to transfer a drawing to other systems by creating a file having the IGES format. Limitations on the transfer of drawings are a result of the limitations of the IGES translators of both the sending and receiving systems. The ACAD/IGES translator is used to transfer drawings between ACAD and other systems such as CADAM, CATIA and AutoCAD. The ACAD/IGES translator was created using the methodology described [7].

Entities which are supported by the current version of the ACAD/IGES translator are listed in Figures 3 and 4. Several points should be noted when using the ACAD system to translate drawings to and from the IGES file format:

1. When writing an IGES file from ACAD, entities which are confined to a single plane are represented as an IGES entity constructed in the XY plane with an associated transformation matrix to translate the entity to the appropriate plane.
2. Spline entities written from ACAD into the IGES format can be represented as either IGES type 112 (Parametric Spline Curve) or type 126 (Rational B-Spline Curve) depending on the selection of the buttons under the "Spline Types:" section of the "Write IGES File" dialog box. If the button "Parametric" is selected, all spline entities will be written as type 112; otherwise, all spline entities will be written as type 126.
3. The method in which a Surface entity is written into IGES format from the ACAD system will depend on the setting of the "Surface Type:" buttons in the "Write IGES File" dialog box.
4. When writing ACAD Face entities into the IGES format, several IGES entities are created. The Face entity is represented as type 144 (Trimmed (Parametric) Surface) which consists of boundary curves that are represented by type 142 (Curve on a Parametric Surface). Boundary curves, in turn, are created through type 102 (Composite Curve), which links together simple entities such as points, lines, circles, splines, conics, and ellipses, forming a closed curve.

0 (Null)	Supported.		
100 (Circular Arc)	Supported.		
102 (Composite Curve)	Supported.		
104 (Conic Arc)	Supported: IGESIN approximates this with a Polyline.		
106 (Copious Data)	Partially supported: IGESIN discards vectors for Forms 3 and 13. IGESOUT translates AutoCAD Traces and Solids (that are not extruded) into IGES Simple Closed Area entities (106 Copious Data, Form 63). This loses their solid-fill information, but retains their area information.		
108 (Plane)	IGESIN uses unbounded planes (Form 0) for clipping IGES View entities (410). Bounded planes (Forms 1 and -1) are translated by generating a Polyline from the bounding curve.		
110 (Line)	Supported.		
112 (Parametric Spline Curve)	Partially supported: IGESIN approximates this with a Polyline.		
114 (Parametric Spline Surface)	Partially supported: IGESIN approximates this with a 3D Mesh.		
116 (Point)	Supported.		
118 (Ruled Surface)	Supported.		
120 (Surface Of Revolution)	Supported.		
122 (Tabulated Cylinder)	Supported. See the section "Extruded Entities" on page 18.		
124 (Transformation Matrix)	Supported.		
125 (Flash)	Not supported.	202 (Angular Dimension)	Supported.
126 (Rational B-Spline Curve)	Supported.	206 (Diameter Dimension)	Supported.
128 (Rational B-Spline Surface)	Not supported.	208 (Flag Note)	Supported.
130 (Offset Curve)	Not supported.	210 (General Label)	Supported.
132 (Connect Point)	Not supported.	212 (General Note)	Supported.
134 (Node)	Not supported.	214 (Leader)	Supported.
136 (Finite Element)	Not supported.	216 (Linear Dimension)	Supported.
138 (Nodal Displacement & Rotation)	Not supported.	218 (Ordinate Dimension)	Supported.
140 (Offset Surface)	Not supported.	220 (Point Dimension)	Translated to AutoCAD Block.
142 (Curve On A Parametric Surface)	Not supported.	222 (Radius Dimension)	Supported.
144 (Trimmed Parametric Surface)	Not supported.	228 (General Symbol)	Supported.
		230 (Sectioned Area)	Not supported.
146 (Nodal Result)	Not supported.		
148 (Element Results)	Not supported.		
150 (Block)	Not supported.		
152 (Right Angular Wedge)	Not supported.		
154 (Right Circular)	Not supported.		

Figure 1: IGES to AutoCAD conversion table.

302 (Associativity Definition)	Not supported.
304 (Line Font Definition)	Output by IGESOUT if necessary. Partially supported by IGESIN.
306 (MACRO Definition)	Not supported.
308 (Subfigure Definition)	Supported.
310 (Text Font Definition)	Not supported.
312 (Text Display Template)	Not supported.
314 (Color Definition)	Not supported.
320 (Network Subfigure Definition)	Not supported.
322 (Attribute Table Definition)	Not supported. Instead of creating Attribute Table Definitions, IGESOUT translates AutoCAD Attributes into a pair consisting of a General Note and a Property entity, and attaches these as Subfigure references (see section 2.2.4.4.2 of the IGES 5.1, and the section "Attributes" on page 18).
402 (Associativity Instance)	IGESIN supports Forms 1, 3, 4, 7, 13, 14, 15, and 16. IGESOUT supports Form 3.
404 (Drawing)	Supported.
406 (Property)	Partial support: see the section "Attributes" on page 18.
408 (Singular Subfigure Instance)	Supported.
410 (View)	Supported.
412 (Rectangular Array Subfigure Instance)	Supported, except that IGESIN does not support the DO-DON'T flags.
414 (Circular Array Subfigure Instance)	Not supported.
416 (External Reference)	Supported. See the section "External References" on page 23 and "External Reference — 416" on page 40.
418 (Nodal Load/Constraint)	Not supported.
420 (Network Subfigure Instance)	Not supported.
422 (Attribute Table Instance)	Not supported.
430 (Solid Instance)	Not supported.
600-699 (MACRO Instance)	Not supported.
5001-9999 (Implementor-Defined)	IGESOUT uses form 7901 for Block Attributes.
10000-99999 (MACRO Instance)	Not supported.

Figure 2: IGES to AutoCAD conversion table (continued).

IGES Entity Number	IGES Description	ACAD Entity
100	Arc	Arc/Circle
102	Composite Curve	any combination of : point, line, circle spline, conic, offset
104 Form 0-3	Conic Arc	Conic/Ellipse
106 Form 1,2,11,12 20,21,31-38,40,63	Copious Data	any combination of : point, line
108 Form 0	Plane	Plane
110	Line	Line
112	Parametric Spline	Spline
114	Parametric Spline Surface	Arbitrary Surface
116	Point	Point
118 Form 1	Ruled Surface	Ruled Surface
120	Surface of Revolution	Surface of Revolution
122	Tabulated Cylinder	Ruled Surface
124 Form 0	Transformation Matrix	N/A
126 Form 0	Rational B-Spline Curve	Spline
128 Form 0	Rational B-Spline Surface	Arbitrary Surface
130	Offset Curve	Spline
142	Curve on a Parametric Surf. (only sub-entity of 144)	any combination of : point, line, circle, spline, conic, offset
144	Trimmed (Param.) Surface	Face
202	Angular Dimension	Angular Dimension
206	Diameter Dimension	Diameter Dimension
210	General Label	Label Dimension
212 Form 0,2-8	General Note	Text
214 Form 2,4	Leader (Arrow)	Arrow Dimension
216	Linear Dimension	Vertical/Horizontal/Parallel Dimension
218	Ordinate Dimension	Vertical Call Out/Horizontal Call Out/ Label Dimension
220	Point Dimension	Vertical Call Out/Horizontal Call Out/ Label Dimension
222	Radius Dimension	Radial Dimension
308	Subfigure Definition	Detail
402 Form 1,3,4,7, 14,15	Associativity Instance	Views, Sets
404	Drawing	Parent View (limit 3 per file)
406 Form 15	Name	Names Details
408	Singular Subfigure Instance	Ditto
410	View	Auxiliary View

Figure 3: IGES to ACAD conversion table.

ACAD Entity	IGES Entity Number	IGES Description
Geometric:		
Point	116	Point
Line	110	Line
Circle/Arc	100	Arc *
Spline	112	Parametric Spline or
	126 Form 0	Rational B-Spline Curve
Conic	104 Form 0,3	Conic Arc *
Ellipse	104 Form 1	Conic Arc *
Plane	108 Form 0	Plane
Surface Identities:		
PolyConic, Fillet	114	Parametric Spline Surface or
	128 Form 0	Rational B-Spline Surface
Ruled	118 Form 1	Ruled Surface or
	114	Parametric Spline Surface or
	128 Form 8	Rational B-Spline Surface
Surface of Revolution	120	Surface of Revolution or
	114	Parametric Spline Surface or
	128 Form 0	Rational B-Spline Surface
Sculptured, Arbitrary, Offset	114	Parametric Spline Surface or
	128 Form 0	Rational B-Spline Surface
Face	144	Trimmed (Param) Surf. and
	142	Curve on a Param. Surf. and
	102	Composite Curve
Solids:		
Polyhedral	Not Implemented	
Volume	Not Implemented	
Primitive	Not Implemented	
Annotation:		
Text	212 Form 0,6,7,8	General Note
Dimensions:		
Horizontal, Vertical, Parallel	216	Linear Dimension %
Angular	202	Angular Dimension %
Radial	222	Radius Dimension %
Diameter	206	Diameter Dimension %
Label, Textline	210	General Label %
Arrow	214 Form 2,4	Leader (Arrow)
Station Label	218	Ordinate %
View Call Out	110	Lines and
	212	General Note
Structures:		
Detail	308	Subfigure Definition *
Ditto	408	Singular Subfigure Instance
Aux Views	410	View
Parent View	404	Drawing

* written in the XY plane with attached Transformation Matrix (124 Form 0).

% entity contains pointers to the corresponding General Note (212), Witness Lines (106 Form 40), Arrows (214), and Transformation Matrix (124 Form 0).

Figure 4: IGES to ACAD conversion table (continued).

2.4 ACAD GENERIC FACET FILE

The ACAD Generic Facet file is an ASCII file containing faceted (polygonal) data as well as edge, vertex, and surface normal data. The files are named with the ".facet" suffix. The convention for surface normals is to point away from the interior of the part. The triangular facet shape is the only one currently supported. The Generic Facet format version V3.0 is described below:

Line A: Revision Date/Time Machine

Revision = File format version;

Date/Time = Date and time of creation;

Machine = Hardware platform of origin.

Line B: NP

NP = Number of parts in file.

Line C: Part Name

Part Name = Name of current part.

Line D: MIRROR (A B C D)

MIRROR = Mirrored about a plane?

(if not mirrored about a plane then MIRROR = 0 and A, B, C, D, are not present)

Line E: NV

NV = Number of vertices in current part.

Line F: X Y Z

(X Y Z) = 3-D Cartesian point:

(there will be NV copies of this line).

Line G: NSP

NSP = Number of subparts in current part.

Line H: Sub-Part Name

Sub-Part = Name of the current subpart.

Line J: ET NSE NSV EM2 VP VN EC

ET = Type of element (Triangle = 3);

NSE = Number of elements in current subpart — always $\neq 0$;

NSV = Number of vertices in the current subpart $\neq 0$ if VP = 1 or VN = 1;

EM2 = Parameter set to 1 if 2-sided material fields have been defined, and 0 otherwise:

When set to 1, Line N will have 3 material fields, instead of 1. In these fields, M will describe the material associated with the element only, M1 will describe the material associated with the plus normal side of the element and M2 the material associated with the minus normal side of the elements.

VP = Parameter set to 1 if vertex parameters are present, and 0 otherwise:

Line K is present in the file only when this parameter is set to 1.

VN = Parameter set to 1 if vertex normals are present, and 0 otherwise:

Line L is present in the file only when this parameter is set to 1.

EC = Parameter set to 1 if element curvature lines are present, and 0 otherwise:

Line M is present in the file only when this parameter is set to 1.

Line K: U V VID

(U V) = Parametric vertex coordinate — there will be NSV copies of this line if VP = 1;

VID = Vertex ID referencing the part vertex list.

Line L: Nx Ny Nz VID

(Nx Ny Nz) = 3-D unit vector pointing away from the interior of the part:

(there will be NSV Copies of this line if VN = 1)

VID = Vertex ID referencing the part vertex list.

Line M: Min Max MnVx MnVy MnVz MxVx MxVy MxVz

Min/Max = The principal curvatures computed at the facet center

(positive values indicate surface bending towards the normal)

MnVx MnVy MnVz = A 3-D unit vector pointing in the direction where curvature is a minimum;

MxVx MxVy MxVz = Points in the direction of maximum curvature.

$(MnV \times MxV = N)$

(there will be NSE copies of this line if EC = 1)

Line N: V1 V2 M

V1, V2 = Indices of subpart vertices if NSV \neq 0, otherwise indices of part vertices;

M = Fields to describe properties associated with this element

(there will be NE copies of this line if ET = 2)

Line N: V1 V2 V3 M (M1 M2)

V1, V2, V3 = Indices of subpart vertices if NSV \neq 0, otherwise indices of part vertices;

M (M1 M2) = Fields to describe material properties associated with this element

(there will be NE copies of this line if ET = 3)

Line N: V1 V2 V3 V4 M (M1 M2)

V1, V2, V3, V4 = Indices of subpart vertices if NSV \neq 0, otherwise indices of part vertices;

M (M1 M2) = Fields to describe material properties associated with this element

(there will be NE copies of this line if ET = 4)

Line N: V1 V2 V3 V4 V5 V6 M (M1 M2)

V1, V2, V3, V4, V5, V6 = Indices of subpart vertices if NSV \neq 0, otherwise indices of part vertices;

M (M1 M2) = Fields to describe material properties associated with this element
(there will be NE copies of this line if ET = 6)

Sections H thru N are repeated for each subpart.

Sections C thru N are repeated for each part.

2.5 SHIP CAD FILES

NAVSEA and its contractors have made extensive use of three-dimensional ship drawings. Engineers have their personal preferences when it comes to CAD software, and therefore the IGES file format is extremely important in the exchange of databases between platforms and programs. AutoCAD binary files for the ships listed in Table 2 were provided to NPS by NAVSEA. The files were imported to AutoCAD residing on NPS platforms, and then translated to IGES using the IGESOUT command. Next, the output file is read into ACAD, and an ACAD binary file written for future structure modification. Also, an ACAD facet file can be generated for translation to PATCH input format.

Three-dimensional ship drawings generated by AutoCAD are shown in Figures 5 through 7 for a DDG-51, LHA, and LHD, respectively. Figure 8 illustrates the level of detail that is typical of the ship databases. When performing EM computations at HF this level of detail is not required; only structures on the order of 0.1λ need to be represented. (At the high end of the HF band the frequency is 30 MHz and the wavelength 10 meters.) Furthermore, meshing the surfaces of small structures introduces a large additional number of edges (i.e., unknowns) that do not improve the quality of the solution, but dramatically increases the computer run time. Therefore, it is necessary to filter the geometry model to remove unnecessary detail. This step can be done either in AutoCAD (before the IGES file is written), or after the model has been imported to ACAD.

3.0 PATCH

3.1 PATCH GENERAL DESCRIPTION

PATCH [1] is a FORTRAN computer code that computes electromagnetic scattering and radiation based on a method of moments (MM) solution of the E-field integral equation (EFIE). The method of moments reduces the EFIE to a set of linear equations that can be solved using standard matrix methods. The number of unknowns, and hence the size of the matrix equation that must be solved, depends

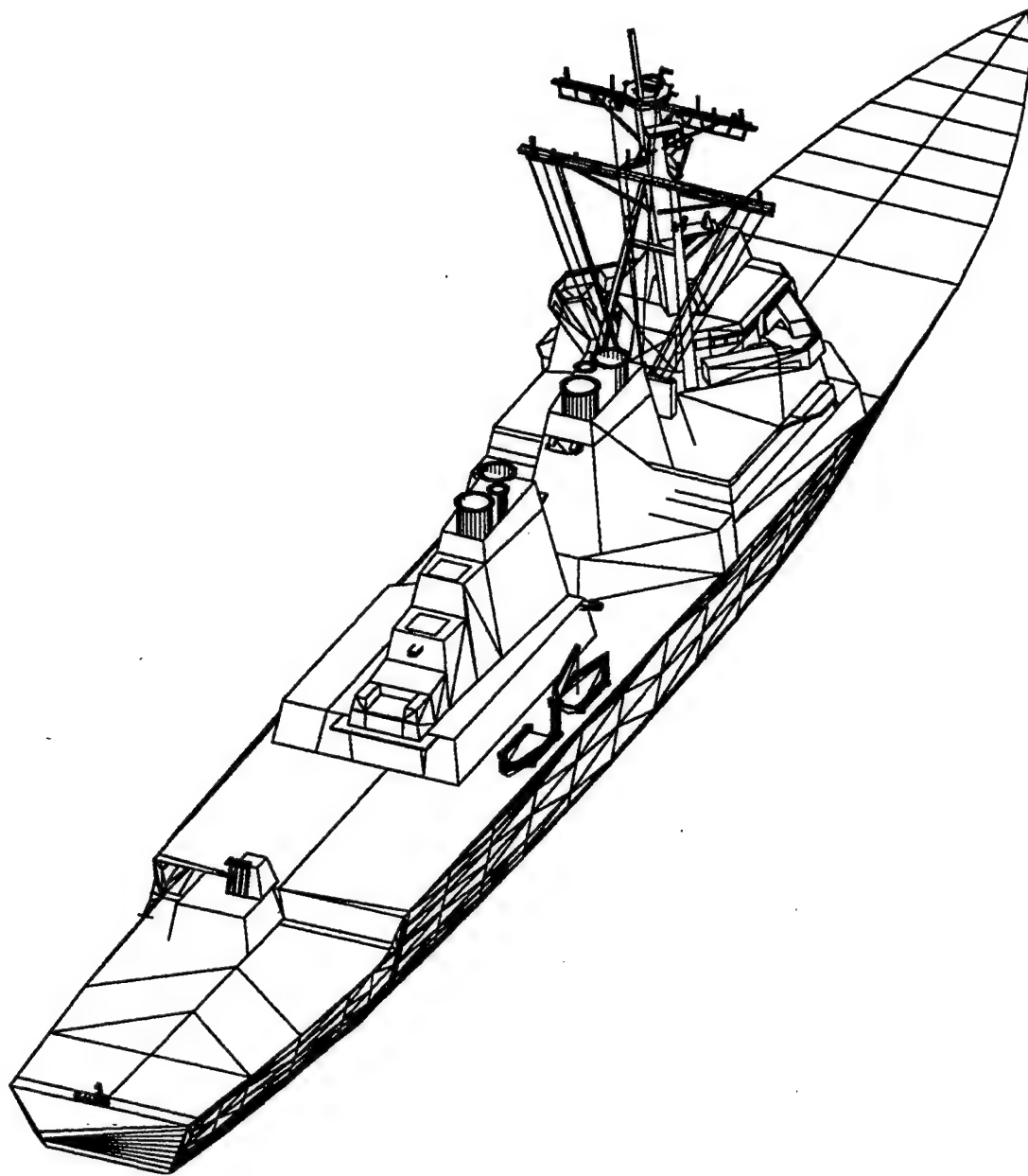


Figure 5: AutoCAD generated model of a DDG-51 (without weapons systems and antennas).

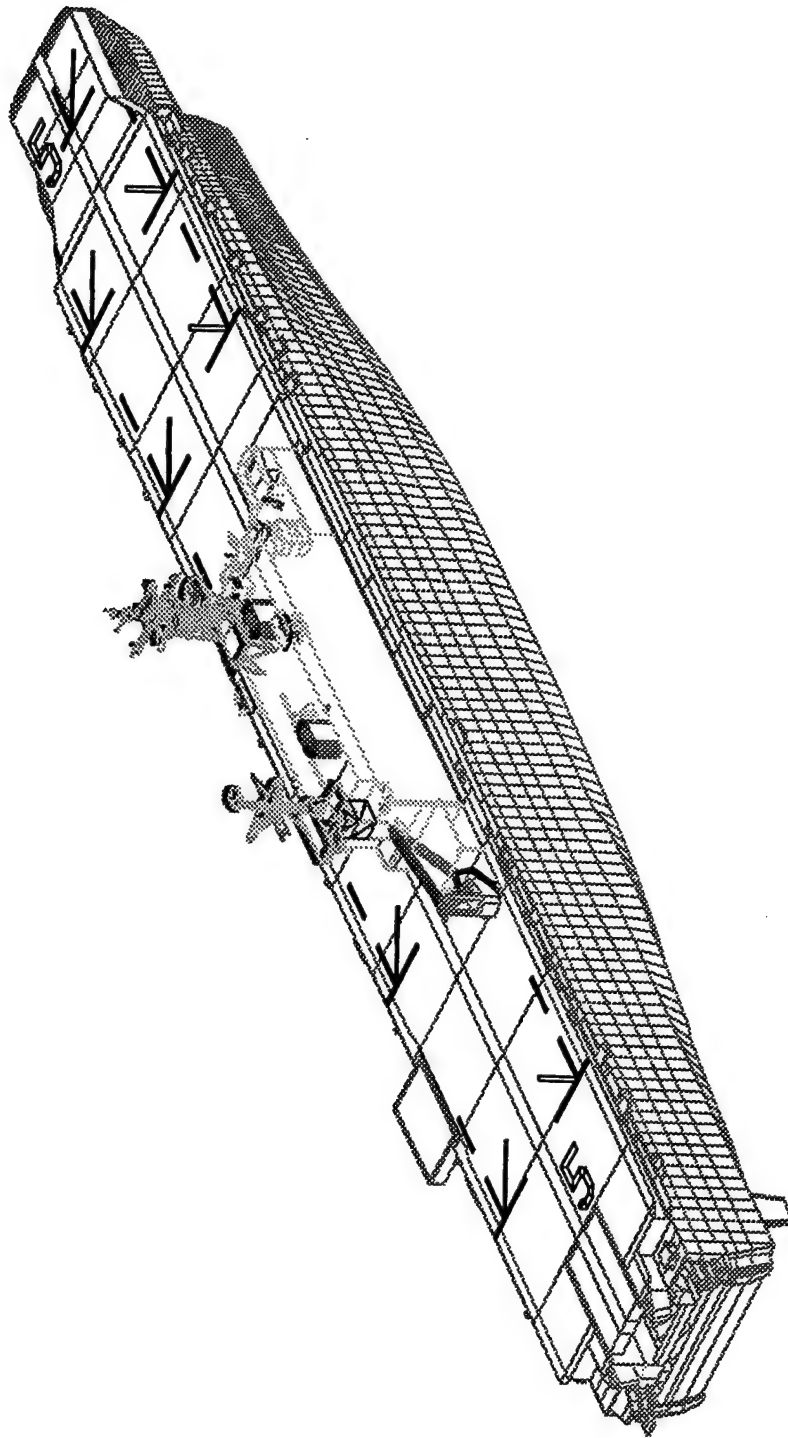


Figure 6: AutoCAD generated model of a LHA.

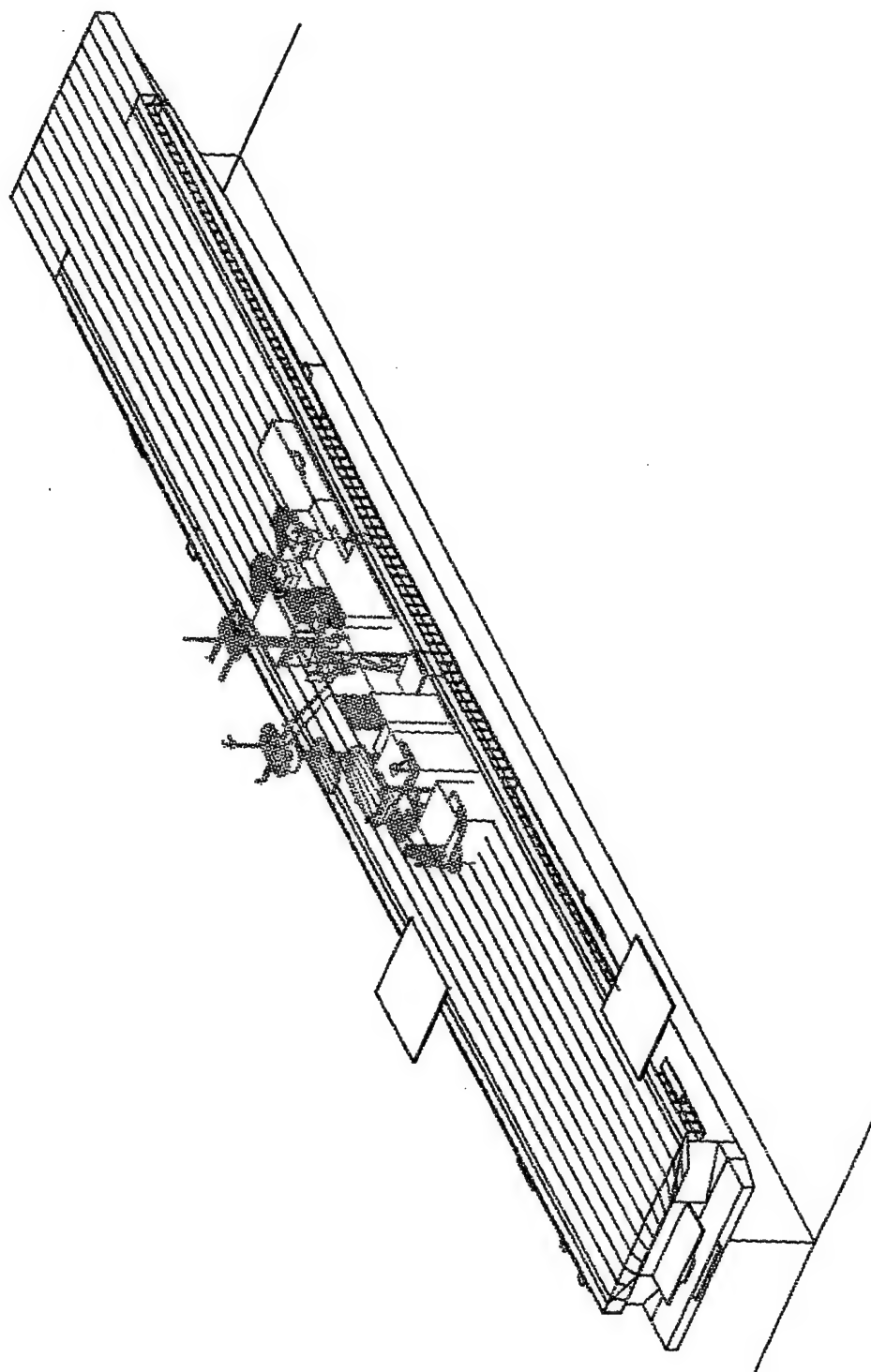


Figure 7: AutoCAD generated model of a LHD (no hull file was available).

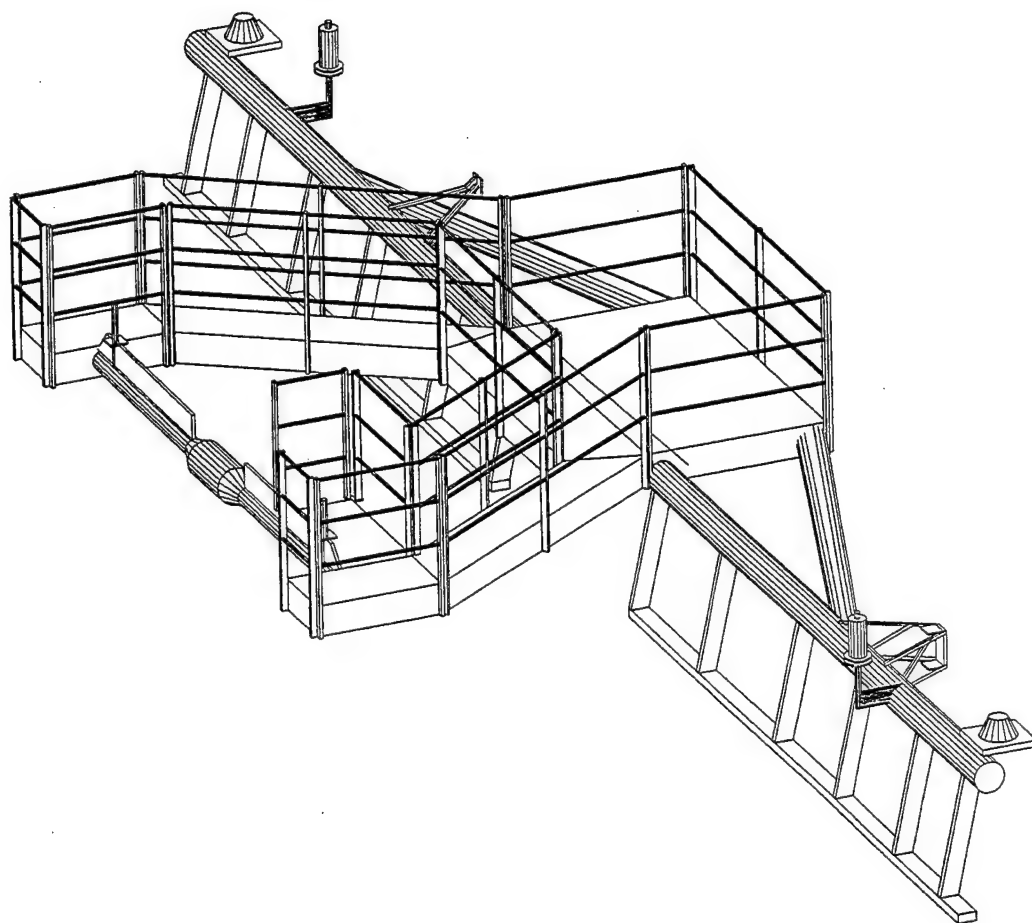


Figure 8: AutoCAD generated model of a LHA forward mast platform.

Table 2: Ship 3D CAD Files

Ship	Imported in ACAD	Meshed in ACAD
DDG51	X	
LHA	X	
LHD*	X	
DD963	X	X

* No hull file

on the number of triangular patches that are used to represent the scattering body.

The method of moments is rigorous; that is, in the limit as the triangles become smaller, the method of moments solution converges to the correct value. Unlike a wire simulation (wire grid model), the area between edges which form the triangle facets are solid material, not air gaps. Therefore, current truly flows on the surface of the object, not just along the edges of the triangles.

For an object with N edges, PATCH computes a vector of complex coefficients I_m , $m = 1, 2, \dots, N$, such that the current crossing edge m is

$$\vec{J}_m = I_m \hat{n}_m.$$

The unit vector \hat{n}_m is in a direction normal to edge m and lies on the surface. Once the current coefficients have been determined using the method of moments procedure, it is possible to compute radiation patterns and scattered fields. A summary of the capabilities of PATCH is given in Table 3. The details of modeling the deckedge antennas are discussed in [8].

The application of MM is usually limited by the size of the computer available. Bodies comprised of large numbers of triangles yield matrices too large for the com-

Table 3: Summary of PATCH Capabilities

Arbitrary Shape

Open/Closed objects
 Modelled by triangular "patches"
 Variable patch density
 Front end for graphical composition
 Arbitrary edge multiplicity
 Non-orientable surfaces (e.g., Moebius strip) OK
 Symmetry planes may be included
 Multiple bodies okay

Surface

Basis functions yield surface currents
 Type: Wilton-Rau
 Free of line and point charges
 Equivalent Thevenin circuits can be calculated
 Lumped and surface impedance loading possible

Excitation

Voltage sources (e.g., for antennas)
 Plane waves
 Both

Calculated Quantities

Surface currents
 Far field patterns
 Radar cross sections
 Field calculations at general observation points (including near field points)

Frequency Domain

Pattern loops
 Frequency loops

puter, or run times too long to be of practical use. A general rule of thumb for convergence of the far field is that triangle edge lengths should not exceed 0.1λ , where λ is the wavelength. The number of edges is generally a close estimate of the number of unknowns that must be determined. Differences are due to the fact that some edges may be shared by more than two facets, and therefore the number of current coefficients associated with that edge is more than two. (This is referred to in the PATCH manual as the multiplicity of the edge.) A SGI Indigo II workstation with 128 MBytes of memory can handle structures with approximately 6000 edges.

3.2 PATCH INPUT FILE FORMAT

The PATCH input file is an ASCII file that contains all of the geometry information and calculation parameters. The file can be generated using the preprocessing code BUILDN5 which is distributed along with PATCH. BUILDN5 is capable of generating basic geometrical shapes and combining them to yield more complex shapes. In addition to geometry information, BUILDN5 also prompts the user for calculation information such as frequency, observation angles, and excitation conditions.

The user input data is appended to the geometry file and written in a format that is recognizable to PATCH. Upon execution, the NPS version of PATCH (which has been modified from the original) looks for a file named "inpatch" in the current directory. It performs the required calculations and generates an ASCII output file

named "outpatch" which contains all of the input data in readable form. An output file of current coefficients is also generated.

It is not necessary that BUILDN5 be used to generate the input file. If the user is familiar with the required file format, "inpatch" can be generated using any text editor. The input data format follows:⁵

Line A: TITLE

TITLE = 80 character ASCII string.

Line B: NNODES,NEDGES

NNODES = Number of nodes in file.

NEDGES = Number of edges in file.

Line C: NODE, X(NODE), Y(NODE), Z(NODE)

NODE = Node index.

X = X coordinate of node number NODE.

Y = Y coordinate of node number NODE.

Z = Z coordinate of node number NODE.

(there will be NNODES copies of this line)

Line D: NEDGE, NODE1(NEDGE), NODE2(NEDGE)

NEDGE = Edge number.

NODE1 = Node number of first end.

NODE2 = Node number of second end.

(there will be NEDGES copies of this line; the order of endpoints is not important)

Line E: IGNDP(1), IGNDP(2), IGNDP(3)

⁵This input sequence is typical for the calculation of antenna patterns or received signals due to plane wave incidence. It does not necessarily cover all possible input sequences. See reference 1 for a complete discussion of the input format.

IGNDP = Symmetry planes at $x = 0$, $y = 0$ or $z = 0$?

0 = no ground plane; 1 = infinite PMC; -1 = infinite PEC

Line F: NEXCIT

NEXCIT = Number of voltage excitations.

Line G: ITYPE

ITYPE = Type of excitation.

p = plane wave; v = voltage; b = both

(there are NEXCIT copies of this line)

Line H: If ITYPE = p: THETA, PHI, ETRE, ETIM, EPRE, EPIM

THETA, PHI = (θ, ϕ) angle of incidence in polar coordinates.

ETRE, ETIM = $\text{Real}(E_\theta)$, $\text{Imag}(E_\theta)$.

EPRE, EPIM = $\text{Real}(E_\phi)$, $\text{Imag}(E_\phi)$.

Line I: IMAG(1), IMAG(2), IMAG(3)

IMAG = Image the plane wave about $x = 0$, $y = 0$, or $z = 0$?

0 = no image; 1 = image for PMC; -1 = image for PEC

Line H: If ITYPE \neq p: NVOLT

NVOLT = Number of voltage sources.

Line I: IEDGV, IPOS, VREAL, VIMAG

IEDGEV = Edge number for face on which the voltage source resides.

IPOS = Node opposite IEDGEV for positive voltage sense.

VREAL = Real part of impressed voltage.

VIMAG = Imaginary part of impressed voltage.

(there will be NVOLT copies of this line)

Line J: NFZS

NFZS = Number of faces with nonzero surface impedance.

Line K: IFZS, ZSRE, ZSIM

IFZS = Face number.

ZSRE = Real part of surface impedance.

ZSIM = Imaginary part of surface impedance.

(there will be NFZS copies of this line)

Line L: THEV, MTHEV, IETHEV

THEV = Thevinin equivalent circuit?

If THEV = .false. then MTHEV = 0 and IETHEV = 0

If THEV = .true. then MTHEV = basis function index

If THEV = .true. then IETHEV = edge index

Line M: IPATT

IPATT = 0, no pattern calculation.

IPATT = 1, pattern calculation with 3-point integration.

IPATT = 2, pattern calculation with 1-point integration.

Line N: If IPATT \neq 0: TH1, TH2, NTH, PH1, PH2, NPH

TH1, TH2 = θ pattern limits

PH1, PH2 = ϕ pattern limits

NTH, NPH = number of pattern points in θ and ϕ

Line O: NNFLD

NNFLD = Number of field observation points.

Line P: If NNFLD \neq 0: DX, DY, DZ

DX, DY, DZ = Finite difference increments in x, y, z .

Line Q: NNFLD \neq 0: RFLD(1,J), RFLD(2,J), RFLD(3,J)

RFLD(1-3,J) = x, y, z coordinates of field point j

(there will be NNFLD copies of this line)

Line R: PRINTC

IPATT = .true., print a current table.

Line S: NEDGO

NEDGO = number of edges in current table.

Line T: If NEDGO \neq 0 NEGCUR

NEGCUR = Edges in current table.

(there will be NEDGO copies of this line)

Line U: FREQ or -1

FREQ = Frequency.

(terminates when FREQ = -1)

3.3 PATCH CODE MODIFICATIONS

The PATCH source code received from Sandia Labs has been modified to provide additional capabilities that were not available in the original version. Thus PATCH actually refers to a collection of codes. The particular versions of interest for this application are:

1. PATCH2V

There are no significant changes between this version and the original one provided by Sandia. The major change is the addition of "facet checking" as described below.

2. PATCHDF

This version has been modified to specifically compute the current induced by incident plane waves at ship deckedge antenna locations. The edge indices corresponding to the deckedge antenna locations must be provided. The induced currents for all specified incidence angles are written to a ASCII file for use by the programs RECAL and RMSDF. This version also does "facet checking."

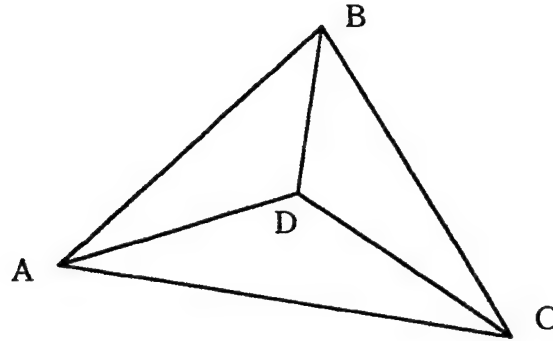


Figure 9: An example of an ambiguous edge-defined surface.

3.3.1 INPUT/OUTPUT

All versions of PATCH run at NPS generate a set of MATLAB “.m” files. The files contain the computed field quantities, and can be loaded into MATLAB for plotting. An ASCII file of the computed current coefficients named “currents” is also generated. This is a duplicate of the list that would occur in “outpatch” if the user requested a listing of the currents.

3.3.2 FACET CHECKING SUBROUTINE

PATCH defines geometrical shapes on the basis of edge connections; i.e., it searches for three connected edges and considers the enclosed edges to define a unique facet. Figure 9 illustrates a situation that occurs frequently in the meshing of surfaces that PATCH misinterprets. PATCH finds four triangles (ABD, ACD, CDB, and ABC) when in fact there are only three (ABD, ACD, and CDB). Therefore, before declaring that a face has been found, the new face should be checked against all previously defined faces to see if they have any common area.

An efficient test based on a comparison of circles inscribed inside of the two triangles under consideration is illustrated in Figure 10. If the inscribed circles overlap then the two facets share area and the larger of the two triangles is not a valid face. This test can fail in the case of extreme aspect ratios as shown in Figure 11. However, the “Shell Mesh” parameters can be set to avoid this situation.

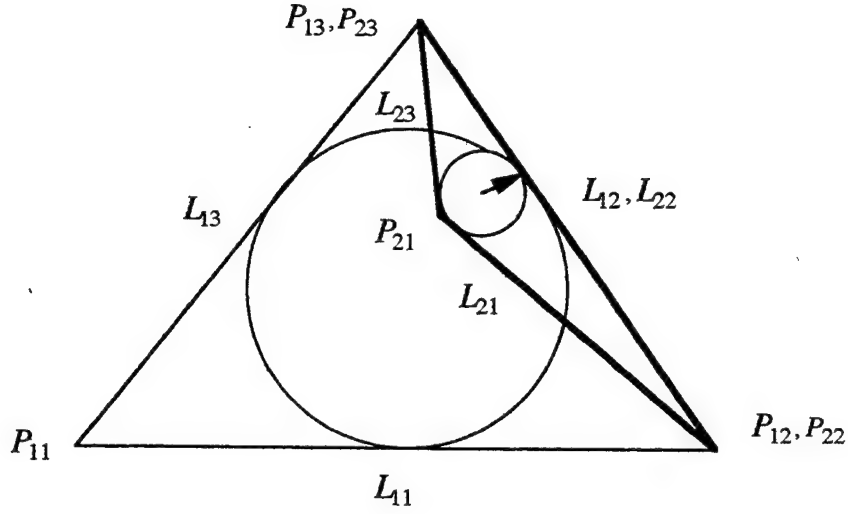


Figure 10: A test for common area based on a comparison of inscribed circles.

Two triangles need to be tested only if:

1. they share a common edge, and
2. they lie in the same plane⁶.

Referring to Figure 10, the triangle nodes are P_{ij} where the first subscript denotes the triangle number ($i = 1, 2$) and the second the node number ($j = 1, 2, 3$). Similarly the edges are defined by \vec{L}_{ij} , which in vector form are

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{L}_{i1} &= (x_{i2} - x_{i1})\hat{x} + (y_{i2} - y_{i1})\hat{y} + (z_{i2} - z_{i1})\hat{z} \\ \vec{L}_{i2} &= (x_{i3} - x_{i2})\hat{x} + (y_{i3} - y_{i2})\hat{y} + (z_{i3} - z_{i2})\hat{z} \\ \vec{L}_{i3} &= (x_{i1} - x_{i3})\hat{x} + (y_{i1} - y_{i3})\hat{y} + (z_{i1} - z_{i3})\hat{z}\end{aligned}$$

Position vectors to the nodes are:

$$\vec{R}(P_{ij}) = x_{ij}\hat{x} + y_{ij}\hat{y} + z_{ij}\hat{z}$$

The perimeter of triangle i is

$$C_i = \sum_{j=1}^3 |\vec{L}_{ij}|$$

⁶Unless they form the open end of a pyramid or corner. This condition will not be encountered in general.

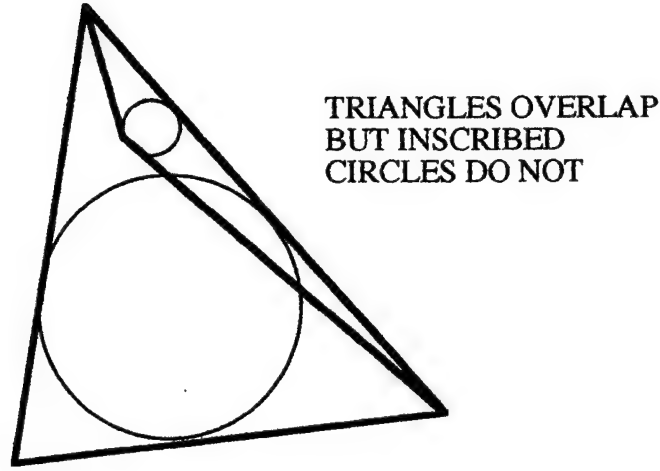


Figure 11: An example of a case in which the test fails.

In terms of the node position vectors the area of triangle i is given by

$$A_i = |\vec{R}(P_{i1}) \times \vec{R}(P_{i2}) + \vec{R}(P_{i2}) \times \vec{R}(P_{i3}) + \vec{R}(P_{i3}) \times \vec{R}(P_{i1})|$$

A normal vector is the cross product of any two edges. For instance,

$$\vec{N}_i = \vec{L}_{i1} \times \vec{L}_{i2}$$

Finally, the position vector to the center of the inscribed circle for triangle i is

$$\vec{O}_i = [\vec{L}_{i2}|\vec{R}(P_{i1})| + \vec{L}_{i3}|\vec{R}(P_{i2})| + \vec{L}_{i1}|\vec{R}(P_{i3})|] / C_i$$

The radius of the circle is $r_i = A_i / C_i$. Two circles i and j overlap if the distance between their centers is less than the sum of their radii

$$|\vec{O}_i - \vec{O}_j| < r_i + r_j$$

Using the above equations, the following test can be applied to determine whether or not a triangle is a valid face:

1. Loop through all pairs of triangles. For two triangles that share an edge,
2. see if they lie in the same plane (to within some tolerance).
3. If they do, find out which triangle has the smallest area (smallest inscribed circle) and find the location of the center.

4. Determine if the circles overlap by finding the distance between center and comparing it to the sum of the radii.
5. If the circles overlap the large triangle is not a valid face.

The facet checking algorithm has been incorporated into all of the PATCH related codes that generate a face list from the edges. They include:

All versions of PATCH (new subroutine GEOM and additional subroutines AXB and FACETCK)

PATCH-to-ACAD translator, PTA

Input file checking program, KNIT

MATLAB plot file generating program, BLDMAT

The required changes to the PATCH codes to implement facet checking are:

new subroutine GEOM

additional subroutine AXB (vector cross product)

additional subroutine FACETCK

These codes are listed in Appendix A. Note that the argument list in GEOM is not the same as that for the original version.

4.0 VIEWING GEOMETRY FILES

4.1 INTRODUCTION

Geometry files can be viewed using several different methods. The information that can be displayed differs in each case. The options available are:

1. DISSPLA graphics via the program BUILDN5 (Facet, node, and edge numbers can all be displayed.)
2. ACAD (Only facet numbers are displayed. Edge and node numbers can be found using the edge connection list generated by the program BLDMAT.)
3. MATLAB (Only node and edge numbers can be displayed.)

The procedures required to use each of the above three methods are described below.

4.2 VIEW USING BUILDN5

A PATCH input file can be viewed on the screen or printed using a postscript file by running BUILDN5. The "disp" option is chosen after the data file has been read. The program prompts for the quantities to be displayed (nodes, edges, or faces), the limits of the viewing box, and viewing angle. The DISSPLA software package is required for this method.

4.3 VIEW USING ACAD

Geometries can be viewed directly in ACAD after they have been meshed. However, if facet numbers in "inpatch" are to be the same as those viewed in ACAD, it is necessary to convert the PATCH input file back to the ".facet" form using PATCH's index ordering. This is achieved using the PATCH-to-ACAD translator PTA. PTA creates a the file "out.facet" from an input file "in.patch" in which each face defined by PATCH is written as a separate part. Therefore, facet numbers assigned by PATCH will be the same as the facet numbers viewed in ACAD using the "Verify Entity" command.

It is not possible to find edge numbers visually in ACAD with the current translator software. Edge and node numbers can be found indirectly by noting the two face numbers that are attached to the edge. The edge number can be determined by finding the common edge in the connection list generated by PATCH or BLDMAT.

4.4 VIEW USING MATLAB

The geometry can be displayed using MATLAB. First the geometry file (in PATCH format) is converted to a set of ".m" files using the FORTRAN program BLDMAT. After BLDMAT has been executed, the MATLAB script PLTPATCH can be run. PLTPATCH has several flags that control whether a wire grid, surface, or surface with hidden lines is displayed. Flags can also be set to display edge and node numbers. The scale and view can be changed using the standard MATLAB commands.

5.0 TRANSLATORS AND COMPUTER CODES

5.1 INTRODUCTION

Throughout the course of this research several new computer codes were written to perform data translation and manipulation. The bulk of the translator codes are

simply subroutines that have been extracted from PATCH, with some minor modifications. The functions and relationships between the various computer codes are illustrated in Figure 12. (Names with a ".x" extension refer to executable files rather than the FORTRAN source codes which carry a ".f" extension.)

Among the codes developed are the following translators:

1. ACAD to PATCH
2. PATCH to ACAD
3. PATCH to NEC

NEC (Numerical Electromagnetics Code) is a computational EM code based on wire grid models [9].

5.2 ACAD-TO-PATCH TRANSLATOR

The ACAD-to-PATCH translator ATP converts an ACAD ".facet" file (described in Section 2.4) to a PATCH input file (described in Section 3.2). A listing of program ATP is given in Appendix B. The ACAD file defines the geometry using a facet table which contains the node coordinates for each triangle. ATP defines edges for each triangle and forms an edge connection list. It uses the same algorithm that is used in PATCH's subroutine GEOM. Therefore, facet checking using the inscribed circle method is also incorporated into ATP.

5.3 PATCH-TO-ACAD TRANSLATOR

The PATCH-to-ACAD translator PTA converts a PATCH input file into ACAD's ".facet" format. There are actually two versions of this translator: PTA and PTF. PTA writes the entire ship as a single part. Therefore, when loaded into ACAD, the individual triangles cannot be manipulated (i.e., deleted, moved, verified, etc.). PTF writes an ACAD ".facet" file where each facet is a part. PTF results in a much larger file than PTA. Listings are given in Appendix C.

5.4 PATCH-TO-NEC TRANSLATOR

NEC is relatively old compared to the EM patch codes and therefore more widely distributed. A crude translator was written so that a PATCH input format file could be run on NEC. The translator maps each facet edge to a wire segment. This can cause problems because circular wires are usually represented by thin strips in patch codes. Thus the two edges of a thin strip result in two closely spaced parallel wires that may share common space if the wire radii are large enough. This problem is

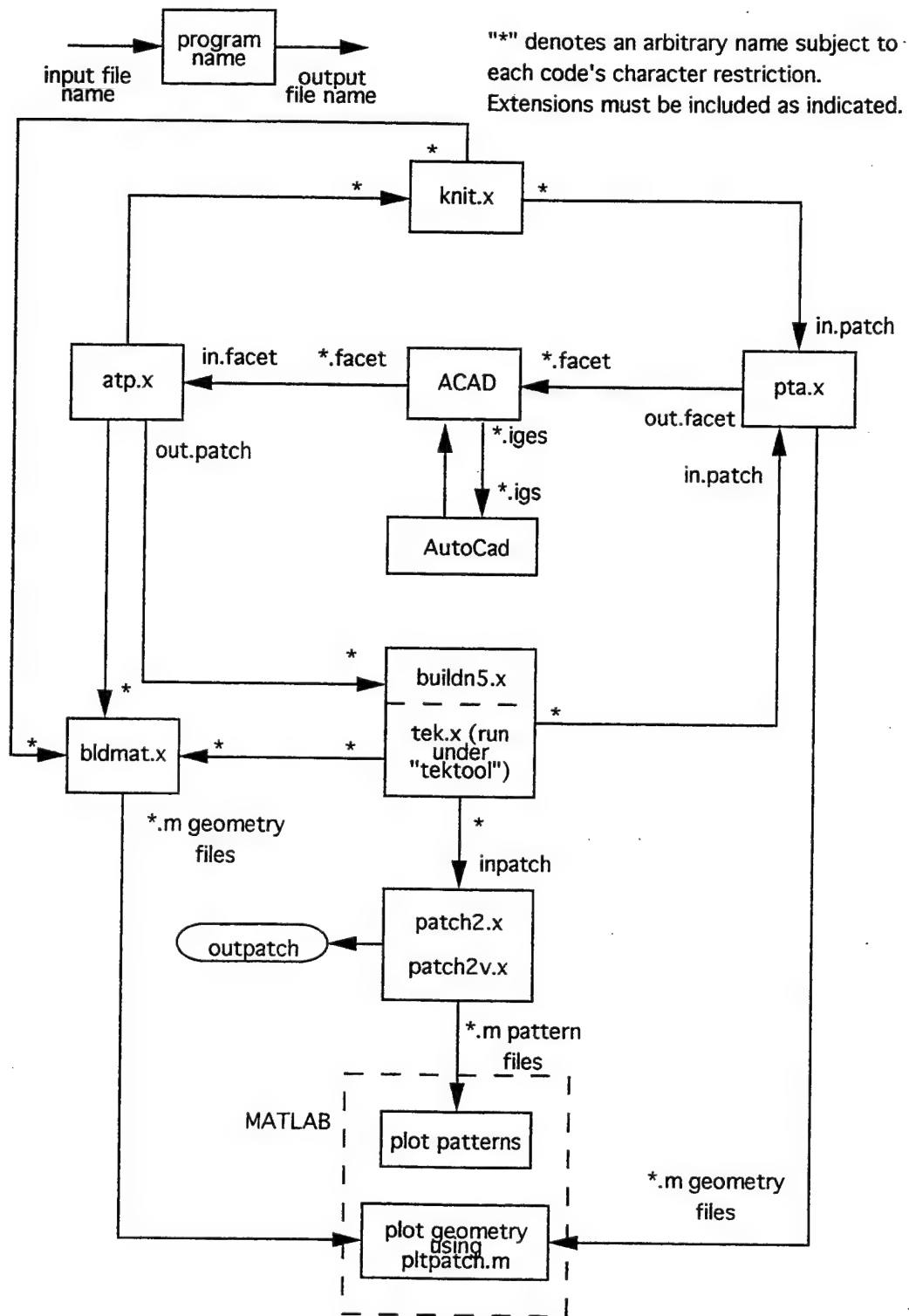


Figure 12: Computer code functions and relationships.

probably not severe enough to cause NEC to abort, but will affect the computed current on the offending edges.

5.5 FILE CHECKING USING KNIT

The program KNIT reads a PATCH format file and checks it for duplicate edges and nodes. This can occur when ACAD creates a body of revolution. For example, a cylinder can be created by rotating one line about a second line. This is analogous to wrapping a sheet of paper to form a cylinder. Where the two paper edges meet, two lines are created by ACAD. The presence of two overlapping edges can possibly cause problems when running PATCH and should be eliminated. KNIT removes the duplicate quantities and shifts the indices of subsequent entries in the node and edge tables down by one.

6.0 AUTOMESHING PROCEDURE

The following steps are used to generate a triangular facet model of a structure that has been created in AutoCAD using ACAD's "Shell Mesh" command. In the following discussion it is assumed that the reader has a basic knowledge of ACAD commands.

Step 1: Create an IGES file of the database in AutoCAD using IGESOUT.

Step 2: Import the IGES file into ACAD using "Read Other Format" under the "File" box.

Step 3: After successfully reading the IGES file, save the data using the binary option under the "File" menu. The file name should have a ".a9" extension. This file will serve as a backup in the event that ACAD crashes during one of the subsequent steps.

Step 4: Modify the file to suit the current problem objectives. This may involve discarding entities that contain too much detail. Examples are window frames, stairways, and internal deckhouse structures such as shelves. Overlapping surfaces must also be eliminated.

Step 5: Once the ship surface has been uniquely defined by non-overlapping surfaces, create faces on all surfaces. The "Include Surface Boundaries" option should be used.

Step 6: Create a "Sheet Assembly" from the faces in Step 5. It is recommended that a large minimum edge length be used on the first attempt to create the

assembly. Also, "Cluster" and "Deviation" parameter values of 50% are recommended. Note that the "Facegap" parameter will impact the final continuity of the surface; i.e., whether adjacent faces share a common edge or a gap exists between them. The continuity of the surface can be checked using the "Verify Laminar Edges" option.

Step 7: Once the shell mesh has been generated and the solid volume defined, turn off (blank) all entities except the volume. Save the volume in a ".facet" file.

Step 8: Copy the ".facet" file from Step 7 to a file named "in.facet." Run the ACAD-to-PATCH translator, ATP. A PATCH format file is written to "out.patch."

Step 9: The program KNIT can be run to check the file "out.patch" for duplicate nodes and edges.

Step 10: Add the calculation parameters to the geometry file. This can be done using a text editor (if the user is familiar with the PATCH input file format), or by running BUILDN5.

Step 11: Copy the file obtained in Step 10 to one named "inpatch" and execute the desired version of PATCH.

Here are several useful hints that should save time reduce errors:

1. The body surfaces (usually of type "Ruled" or "Net") should be displayed as curved mesh using U and V grid parameters of 2. This allows the surfaces to be viewed and their integrity verified without undue cluttering. Before creating the faces in Step 5, the U and V grid parameters can be changed to 1. Note that in many cases the "Fit Tol" parameter can be important.
2. Individual surfaces can be verified using the "Verify" command with the "Amb" toggle switched on. Triangles that have only two flashing edges must be deleted and recreated, or the endpoints flipped on one of the edges. (Caution: this affects the integrity of any facet attached to the edge being flipped.)
3. The shell meshing (Step 6) should be performed on moderately sized subsections of a large complex target, rather than attempting to mesh the entire structure.

Figures 13 and 14 show a DD963 that has been meshed in ACAD using the above procedure. Remeshing the surface to obtain a larger or smaller grid is the relatively

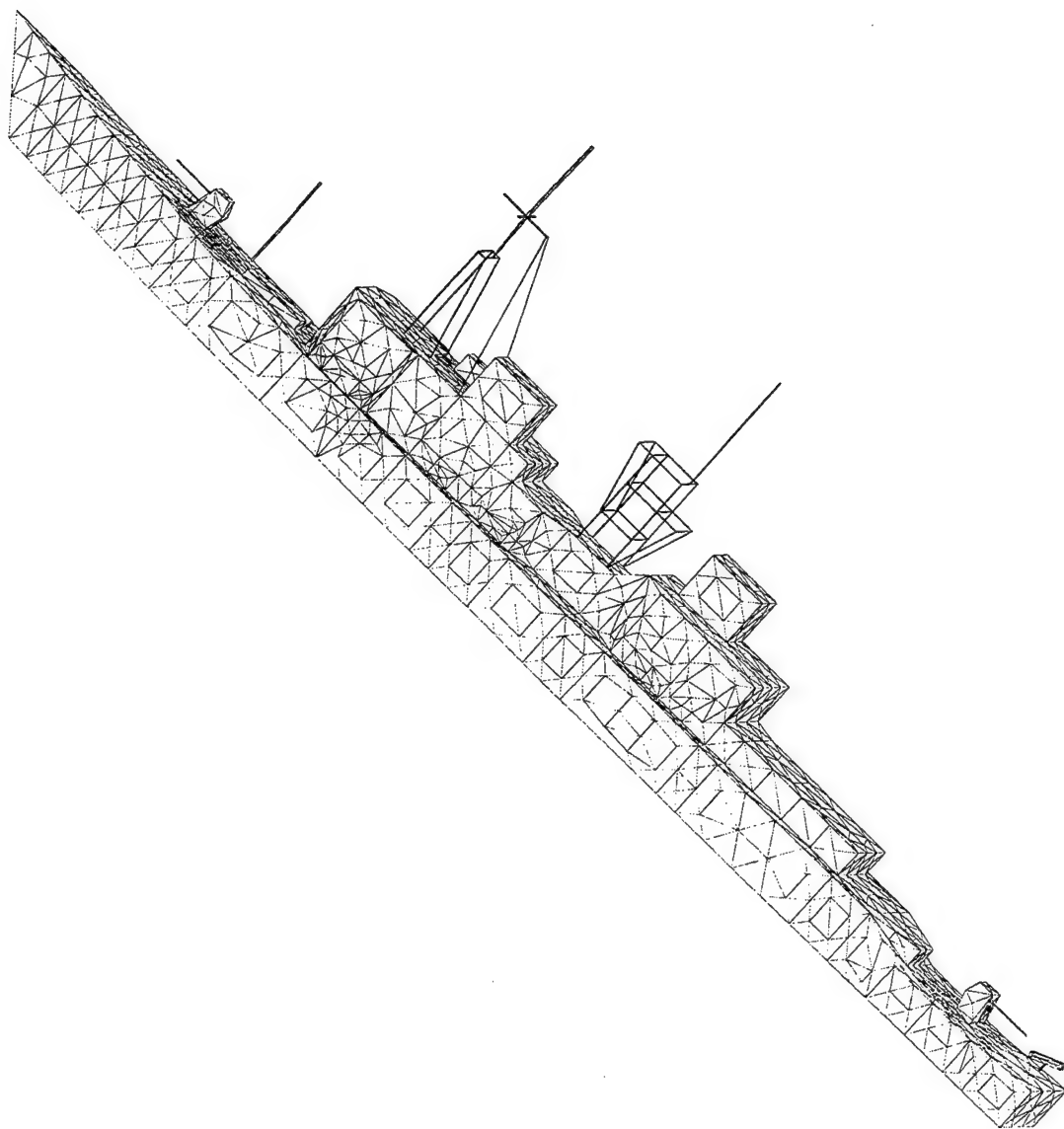


Figure 13: DD963 ship model generated using the method described in Section 6.

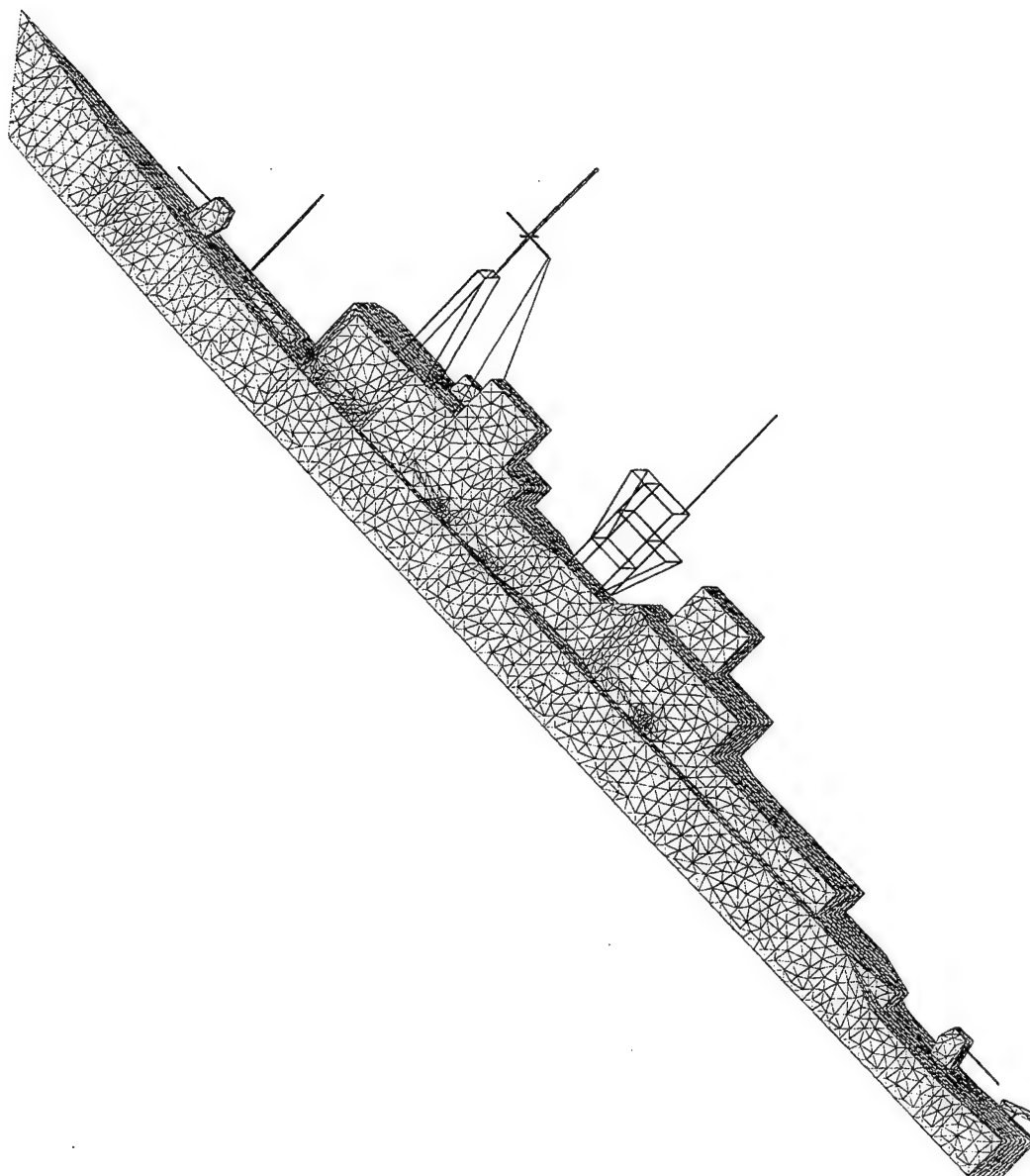


Figure 14: DD963 ship model remeshed with a small grid size.

simple part of the procedure (which starts at Step 6).

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APPENDIX A: FACET CHECKING CODE

The following subroutines perform the facet checking algorithm described in Section 3.3.2

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c=====
      subroutine geom(datnod,nconn,nedges,itrak,nbound,mxface,
        $ nfaces,mxbdnd,nunknb)
c=====
c MODIFIED TO DO FACET CHECKING -- NOTE ARRAY datnod IS REQUIRED
c this subroutine fills nbound with the faces formed by the edges in
c nconn. it also fills in the multiplicity factor of the edge in
c nconn(3,edge). it returns the number of faces(nfaces), and the number
c of body unknowns(nunknb) which is equal to the summation of the
c multiplicity factors of the edges before symmetry planes are considered.
c itrak is a work array.
      integer nconn(3,nedges),nbound(3,mxface),itrak(nedges),np(6)
      dimension datnod(3,mxbdnd)
      nfaces=0
c find faces and list them in nbound.
      do 100 iedge=1,nedges-2
        ntrak=0
c look for all edges that attach to edge iedge and put them in itrak.
        do 200 jedge=iedge+1,nedges
          do 20 i=1,2
            do 21 j=1,2
              if(nconn(i,iedge).eq.nconn(j,jedge))then
c we have found an edge.
                ntrak=ntrak+1
                itrak(ntrak)=jedge
                goto 200
              endif
            21 continue
          20 continue
        200 continue
c find all pairs of edges that form a face with iedge.
        do 300 jedge=1,ntrak-1
          do 301 kedge=jedge+1,ntrak
            do 30 j=1,2
              do 31 k=1,2
c if the 2 faces in itrak have a common point and
c the common point is not in common with the iedge...
                if((nconn(j,itrak(jedge)).eq.nconn(k,itrak(kedge))).and.
                  $(nconn(j,itrak(jedge)).ne.nconn(1,iedge).and.nconn(j,itrak(jedge))
                  $.ne.nconn(2,iedge)))then
                  if(nfaces.eq.0) then
c if this is the first face save it
                    nfaces=nfaces+1
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c put the face into nbound.
      nbound(1,nfaces)=iedge
      nbound(2,nfaces)=itrak(jedge)
      nbound(3,nfaces)=itrak(kedge)
c increment the multiplicity factor of the edges.
      nconn(3,iedge)=nconn(3,iedge)+1
      nconn(3,itrak(jedge))=nconn(3,itrak(jedge))+1
      nconn(3,itrak(kedge))=nconn(3,itrak(kedge))+1
      go to 311
    endif
*****
c if this is not the first face, check to see if it overlaps with any
c previously found face.
      k1=iedge
      k2=itrak(jedge)
      k3=itrak(kedge)
      np(1)=nconn(1,k1)
      np(2)=nconn(2,k1)
      np(3)=nconn(1,k2)
      np(4)=nconn(2,k2)
      np(5)=nconn(1,k3)
      np(6)=nconn(2,k3)
c find the three unique points
      node1=np(1)
      node2=np(2)
      do 603 ii=3,6
        npt=np(ii)
        if((npt.ne.np(1)).and.(npt.ne.np(2))) then
c must be the third node
          node3=npt
          go to 602
        endif
603      continue
602      continue
c node coordinates of the first face
      x11=datnod(1,node1)
      y11=datnod(2,node1)
      z11=datnod(3,node1)
      x12=datnod(1,node2)
      y12=datnod(2,node2)
      z12=datnod(3,node2)
      x13=datnod(1,node3)
      y13=datnod(2,node3)
      z13=datnod(3,node3)
      isum=0
      do 39 kface=1,nfaces
c nodes of the face number kface to check against
      i1=nbound(1,kface)
      np(1)=nconn(1,i1)

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        np(2)=nconn(2,i1)
        i2=nbound(2,kface)
        np(3)=nconn(1,i2)
        np(4)=nconn(2,i2)
        i3=nbound(3,kface)
        np(5)=nconn(1,i3)
        np(6)=nconn(2,i3)
c find the three unique points
        node1=np(1)
        node2=np(2)
        do 613 ii=3,6
            npt=np(ii)
            if((npt.ne.np(1)).and.(npt.ne.np(2))) then
c must be the third node
                node3=npt
                go to 612
            endif
613      continue
612      continue
c node coordinates of the second face
        x21=datnod(1,node1)
        y21=datnod(2,node1)
        z21=datnod(3,node1)
        x22=datnod(1,node2)
        y22=datnod(2,node2)
        z22=datnod(3,node2)
        x23=datnod(1,node3)
        y23=datnod(2,node3)
        z23=datnod(3,node3)
c see if the triangles overlap
        call facetck(x11,y11,z11,x12,y12,z12,x13,y13,
            & z13,x21,y21,z21,x22,y22,z22,x23,y23,z23,iflag)
        isum=isum+iflag
c if iflag.eq.0 there is no overlap so continue checking
        if(iflag.eq.0) go to 38
c if iflag.eq.1 do not include the face being tested; no need to
c check any more faces since this face is being discarded
        if(iflag.eq.1) go to 311
c if iflag.eq.2 keep the face being tested and discard face number kface.
        if(iflag.eq.2) then
c reduce the multiplicity factor of the discarded face edges by one
c face number kface has edges i1,i2,i3
            nconn(3,i1)=nconn(3,i1)-1
            nconn(3,i2)=nconn(3,i2)-1
            nconn(3,i3)=nconn(3,i3)-1
            nbound(1,kface)=iedge
            nbound(2,kface)=itrak(jedge)
            nbound(3,kface)=itrak(kedge)
c increase the multiplicity factor of the new face edges by one.

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        nconn(3,k1)=nconn(3,k1)+1
        nconn(3,k2)=nconn(3,k2)+1
        nconn(3,k3)=nconn(3,k3)+1
c no need to check the remaining faces.
        go to 311
    endif
38      continue
39      continue
c made it all the way through -- add this edge
        nfaces=nfaces+1
c put the face into nbound.
        nbound(1,nfaces)=iedge
        nbound(2,nfaces)=itrak(jedge)
        nbound(3,nfaces)=itrak(kedge)
c increment the multiplicity factor of the edges.
        nconn(3,iedge)=nconn(3,iedge)+1
        nconn(3,itrak(jedge))=nconn(3,itrak(jedge))+1
        nconn(3,itrak(kedge))=nconn(3,itrak(kedge))+1
c*****
        goto 311
    endif
31      continue
30      continue
301     continue
311     continue
300     continue
100    continue
c at first nunknb=-nedges. this would be incremented by 3 for each
c face that was found. therefore nunknb=-nedges+3*nfaces.
        nunknb=3*nfaces-nedges
        return
    end
c=====
        subroutine facetck(x11,y11,z11,x12,y12,z12,x13,y13,z13,
        & x21,y21,z21,x22,y22,z22,x23,y23,z23,iflag)
c=====
c check to see if two faces overlap based on the common
c surface area of circles inscribed in the two triangles
        iflag=0
c only test with triangles that lie in the same plane
c the condition is that the mags of the components of the
c cross product of the normals must be < eps
        eps=1.e-2
c notation: first number in a variable refers to face
c          second number refers to node or edge
c x,y,z components of the three edge vectors of triangle 1
        eg11x=x12-x11
        eg11y=y12-y11
        eg11z=z12-z11

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    eg12x=x13-x12
    eg12y=y13-y12
    eg12z=z13-z12
    eg13x=x11-x13
    eg13y=y11-y13
    eg13z=z11-z13
c edge lengths for face 1
    eg11m=sqrt(eg11x**2+eg11y**2+eg11z**2)
    eg12m=sqrt(eg12x**2+eg12y**2+eg12z**2)
    eg13m=sqrt(eg13x**2+eg13y**2+eg13z**2)
c x,y,z components of the three edge vectors of triangle 2
    eg21x=x22-x21
    eg21y=y22-y21
    eg21z=z22-z21
    eg22x=x23-x22
    eg22y=y23-y22
    eg22z=z23-z22
    eg23x=x21-x23
    eg23y=y21-y23
    eg23z=z21-z23
c edge lengths for face 2
    eg21m=sqrt(eg21x**2+eg21y**2+eg21z**2)
    eg22m=sqrt(eg22x**2+eg22y**2+eg22z**2)
    eg23m=sqrt(eg23x**2+eg23y**2+eg23z**2)
c unit vectors normal to each face
    call AxB(eg11x, eg11y, eg11z, eg13x, eg13y, eg13z, vn1x, vn1y, vn1z)
    vmag1=sqrt(vn1x**2+vn1y**2+vn1z**2)
    vn1x=vn1x/vmag1
    vn1y=vn1y/vmag1
    vn1z=vn1z/vmag1
    call AxB(eg21x, eg21y, eg21z, eg23x, eg23y, eg23z, vn2x, vn2y, vn2z)
    vmag2=sqrt(vn2x**2+vn2y**2+vn2z**2)
    vn2x=vn2x/vmag2
    vn2y=vn2y/vmag2
    vn2z=vn2z/vmag2
    call AxB(vn1x, vn1y, vn1z, vn2x, vn2y, vn2z, vnx, vny, vnz)
c if |vnx| and |vny| and |vnz| are sufficiently small then these two
c faces can be considered coincident
    if((abs(vnx).lt.eps).and.(abs(vny).lt.eps).and.(abs(vnz).lt.
    & eps)) then
c areas of the two triangles
    call AxB(x11,y11,z11,x12,y12,z12,a1,b1,c1)
    call AxB(x12,y12,z12,x13,y13,z13,a2,b2,c2)
    call AxB(x13,y13,z13,x11,y11,z11,a3,b3,c3)
    area1=sqrt((a1+a2+a3)**2+(b1+b2+b3)**2+(c1+c2+c3)**2)/2.
    call AxB(x21,y21,z21,x22,y22,z22,a1,b1,c1)
    call AxB(x22,y22,z22,x23,y23,z23,a2,b2,c2)
    call AxB(x23,y23,z23,x21,y21,z21,a3,b3,c3)
    area2=sqrt((a1+a2+a3)**2+(b1+b2+b3)**2+(c1+c2+c3)**2)/2.

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c compute perimeters
  perim1=eg11m+eg12m+eg13m
  perim2=eg21m+eg22m+eg23m
c find position vectors to the centers of each inscribed circle
  c1x=(eg12m*x11+eg13m*x12+eg11m*x13)/perim1
  c1y=(eg12m*y11+eg13m*y12+eg11m*y13)/perim1
  c1z=(eg12m*z11+eg13m*z12+eg11m*z13)/perim1
  c2x=(eg22m*x21+eg23m*x22+eg21m*x23)/perim2
  c2y=(eg22m*y21+eg23m*y22+eg21m*y23)/perim2
  c2z=(eg22m*z21+eg23m*z22+eg21m*z23)/perim2
c distance between centers
  d12=sqrt((c1x-c2x)**2+(c1y-c2y)**2+(c1z-c2z)**2)
c radii of circles are areas/perimeters
  rad1=area1/perim1
  rad2=area2/perim2
c if d12 < rad1+rad2 then there is overlap
  if(d12.lt.(rad1+rad2)) then
    iflag=1
    if(rad2.gt.rad1) iflag=2
  endif
endif
return
end

=====
      subroutine AxB(a1,a2,a3,b1,b2,b3,c1,c2,c3)
=====
c cross product of two vectors
  c1=a2*b3-a3*b2
  c2=a3*b1-a1*b3
  c3=a1*b2-a2*b1
  return
end

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APPENDIX B: ACAD-TO-PATCH TRANSLATOR CODE

The ACAD-to-PATCH translator code ATP is described in Section 5.1. It converts an ACAD ".facet" file to a PATCH input file.

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c program atp.f (version 3 -- allows subparts & uses face checking)
c
c "acad to patch" translator ENHANCED VERSION
c
c this program reads a file named "in.facet" then reformats the data
c and writes it to the file named "out.patch" which can be read into
c "buildn5.f" as a geometry file. characteristics of ACAD facet file:
c >> a vertex table is given for each part (e.g., each face of a cube
c     is considered a part)
c >> each part is assigned a name
c >> node index is reinitialized for each part and nodes common to
c     several parts are present more than once (run "knit.f" on
c     "out.patch" to eliminate duplicate edges)
c >> a vertex connection list is given for each part (face index and
c     its three vertex indices)
c >> material parameters are included
c >> multiple parts allowed, and each part can have several subparts
c
c x,y,z are node coordinates (index is facet number)
c datnod and nconn are same as in patch.f
c     dimension node(3,6000),nbound(3,6000),nv(6000),part(6000)
c     dimension datnod(3,6000),nconn(3,6000),istart(200)
c     dimension tmpdat(3,6000),icount(6000),indsum(6000)
c     dimension ivmin(6000),ivtx(6000,500),iskip(6000),indx(6000)
c     integer tmpnod(3,6000)
c     character*80 title
c     character*20 part,subpt
c distances less than eps are considered the same
c     eps=0.
c iverb=0 is verbose mode -- progress displayed
c     iverb=0
c     open(1,file='in.facet',status='old')
c     xmin=1.e6
c     ymin=1.e6
c     zmin=1.e6
c     xmax=-1.e6
c     ymax=-1.e6
c     zmax=-1.e6
1    format(a80)
2    format(a20)
c     read(1,1) title
c     write(6,*) 'title:',title
c     read(1,*) nparts
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c keep track of total number of faces and vertices
  nvtl=0
  nftl=0
  do 1000 npart=1,nparts
    read(1,2) part(npart)
    read(1,*) nmir
    if(nmir.ne.0) write(6,*) 'error: structure is mirrored'
    read(1,*) nv(npart)
    nverts=nv(npart)
    if(iverb.eq.0) then
      write(6,*) 'part number: ',npart
      write(6,*) '      name: ',part(npart)
      write(6,*) '  vertices: ',nv(npart)
    endif
c read node table for this subpart
  do 10 n=1,nverts
    read(1,*) xx,yy,zz
    nn=nvtl+n
    tmpdat(1,nn)=xx
    tmpdat(2,nn)=yy
    tmpdat(3,nn)=zz
    datnod(1,nn)=tmpdat(1,nn)
    datnod(2,nn)=tmpdat(2,nn)
    datnod(3,nn)=tmpdat(3,nn)
    xmax=amax1(xmax,xx)
    ymax=amax1(ymax,yy)
    zmax=amax1(zmax,zz)
    xmin=amin1(xmin,xx)
    ymin=amin1(ymin,yy)
    zmin=amin1(zmin,zz)
10  continue
c loop through subparts
  read(1,*) nspts
  if(iverb.eq.0) write(6,*)
  & 'number of subparts in current part: ',nspts
  do 15 kn=1,nspts
    read(1,2) subpt
    if(iverb.eq.0) then
      write(6,*) 'subpart number: ',kn
      write(6,*) '      name: ',subpt
    endif
c read: el type, no. faces, no. vertices, em2, vp,vn,ec
c restrictions: em2=0 (one-sided properties)
c               vp=0 (vertex parameters)
c               vn=0 (no normals present)
c               ec=0 (no curvature lines)
    read(1,*) nsides,nfaces,nsv,nem2,nvp,nvn,nec
c display if there are problems:
  if(nsides.ne.3)

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&   write(6,*) 'nontriangular facet encountered'
      if(nsv.ne.0) write(6,*) 'problem: nsv is not zero'
      if(nem2.ne.0) write(6,*) 'problem: EM2 is not zero'
      if(nvp.ne.0) write(6,*) 'problem: VP is not zero'
      if(nvn.ne.0) write(6,*) 'problem: VN is not zero'
      if(nec.ne.0) write(6,*) 'problem: EC is not zero'
c if this is a part nodes=nverts; if this is a subpart nodes=nsv
      do 20 n=1,nfaces
        nn=n+nftl
c read vertex connection list
        read(1,*) nde1,nde2,nde3,ndum
        tmpnod(1,nn)=nde1+nvtl
        tmpnod(2,nn)=nde2+nvtl
        tmpnod(3,nn)=nde3+nvtl
        node(1,nn)=tmpnod(1,nn)
        node(2,nn)=tmpnod(2,nn)
        node(3,nn)=tmpnod(3,nn)
20    continue
        nftl=nftl+nfaces
15    continue
        nvtl=nvtl+nv(npart)
1000 continue
        nverts=nvtl
        nfaces=nftl
        write(6,*) 'total number of vertices,faces read=',nverts,nfaces
c find duplicate vertices and save their indices in array iold.
c icount(i) counts the number of times vertex i occurs
        do 75 iv1=1,nverts
          x1=tmpdat(1,iv1)
          y1=tmpdat(2,iv1)
          z1=tmpdat(3,iv1)
          icount(iv1)=1
c keep track of vertex number iv1 and its duplicates
c ivtx(node number, occurance number, duplicate index)
          ivtx(iv1,icount(iv1))=iv1
          do 73 iv2=1,nverts
            if(iv1.ne.iv2) then
              x2=tmpdat(1,iv2)
              y2=tmpdat(2,iv2)
              z2=tmpdat(3,iv2)
              dx=abs(x1-x2)
              dy=abs(y1-y2)
              dz=abs(z1-z2)
              if((dx.lt.eps).and.(dy.lt.eps).and.(dz.lt.eps)) then
                icount(iv1)=icount(iv1)+1
                ivtx(iv1,icount(iv1))=iv2
              endif
            endif
73    continue

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75     continue
c for each vertex find the smallest index
do 78 iv=1,nverts
    ivmin(iv)=nverts+1
    do 78 ii=1,icount(iv)
        ivmin(iv)=min(ivmin(iv),ivtx(iv,ii))
78     continue
c find duplicate vertices
    irem=0
    do 76 ii=1,nverts
c if minimum index is .lt. ii this is a duplicate
        if(ivmin(ii).lt.ii) then
            irem=irem+1
            iskip(irem)=ii
        endif
76     continue
c order the indices to be removed from lowest to highest
    idx=nverts
    do 85 i1=1,irem
        do 83 i2=1,irem-i1+1
            idx(i1)=min(idx,iskip(i2))
83     continue
        idx=idx(i1)+1
85     continue
    if(iverb.eq.0) then
do 190 ix=1,irem
190     write(6,*) 'remove #:',ix,iskip(ix),idx(ix)
    endif
c set all node indices to minimum value
    do 95 nn=1,nfaces
        do 95 is=1,3
            iv=tmpnod(is,nn)
            node(is,nn)=ivmin(iv)
95     continue
    do 96 nn=1,nfaces
        do 96 is=1,3
            tmpnod(is,nn)=node(is,nn)
96     continue
c remove duplicate nodes and shift remaining nodes down one for
c each previous node removed
    do 79 ir=1,irem
        do 79 iv=indx(ir),nverts-ir
            datnod(1,iv)=datnod(1,iv+1)
            datnod(2,iv)=datnod(2,iv+1)
            datnod(3,iv)=datnod(3,iv+1)
79     continue
    nverts=nverts-irem
c check each node of each face to see how many previous nodes
c have been removed (to determine the number of steps to decrement

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c the index)
      do 90 nn=1,nfaces
        do 90 is=1,3
          idx=tmpnod(is,nn)
c count vertices .lt. idx that have been removed
c nodes greater than iskip(ir) drop one; those less than iskip(ir) stay
          iter=0
          do 93 ir=1,irem
c          if(idx.eq.idx(ir)) go to 90
            do 93 ii=1,idx
              if(ii.eq.idx(ir)) iter=iter+1
93          continue
            node(is,nn)=tmpnod(is,nn)-iter
90          continue
        write(6,*) 'final number of vertices, faces=',nverts,nfaces
c rescale data if desired
c   write(6,*) 'rescale data? (0=yes/1=no)'
c   read(5,*) ans
      ans=1
      if(ans.eq.0) then
        write(6,*) 'xmax,xmin=',xmax,xmin
        write(6,*) 'ymax,ymin=',ymax,ymin
        write(6,*) 'zmax,zmin=',zmax,zmin
        write(6,*) 'enter scale factor'
        read(5,*) fac
        do 50 n=1,nverts
          datnod(1,n)=fac*datnod(1,n)
          datnod(2,n)=fac*datnod(2,n)
          datnod(3,n)=fac*datnod(3,n)
50      continue
      endif
c generate edge connection list using "brute force" checking
      if(iverb.eq.0)
        & write(6,*) 'start to generate edge connection list'
c for face n check pairs of vertices to see if they have been assigned
c an edge number.  exception is n=1.
      nconn(1,1)=node(1,1)
      nconn(2,1)=node(2,1)
      nconn(1,2)=node(2,1)
      nconn(2,2)=node(3,1)
      nconn(1,3)=node(1,1)
      nconn(2,3)=node(3,1)
      nedges=3
      ncount=3
      do 60 n=2,nfaces
c check all edges to see if the three edges of the current face n
c have already been assigned an index
        do 59 ns=1,3
          if(ns.eq.1) then

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        np1=node(1,n)
        np2=node(2,n)
    elseif(ns.eq.2) then
        np1=node(2,n)
        np2=node(3,n)
    else
        np1=node(3,n)
        np2=node(1,n)
    endif
    if(iverb.eq.0) then
        write(6,*) 'checking edge ',ns,' of face ',n
    endif
    do 65 ne=1,nedges
c check edge ns of triangle n against edge ne
        mp1=nconn(1,ne)
        mp2=nconn(2,ne)
        if(((mp1.eq.np1).and.(mp2.eq.np2)).or.
            & ((mp2.eq.np1).and.(mp1.eq.np2))) then
c edge is a duplicate and therefore no need to go further
            go to 66
        endif
65    continue
c made it all the way through -- must be new edge
    if(iverb.eq.0) then
        write(6,*) 'new edge ',np1,np2
        write(6,*) 'number of edges that have been defined is ',ncount
    endif
    ncount=ncount+1
    nconn(1,ncount)=np1
    nconn(2,ncount)=np2
    nedges=ncount
66    continue
59    continue
60    continue
    do 70 n=1,nedges
70    nconn(3,n)=-1
        if(iverb.eq.0) write(6,*) 'edge connection list generated'
c write reformatted data to file "out.patch"
        open(2,file='out.patch')
        write(2,*) title
        write(2,*) nverts,nedges
        do 151 n=1,nverts
151    write(2,*) n,datnod(1,n),datnod(2,n),datnod(3,n)
        do 200 n=1,nedges
200    write(2,*) n,nconn(1,n),nconn(2,n)
c write new data in MATLAB files
        open(12,file='xpts.m')
        open(13,file='ypts.m')
        open(14,file='zpts.m')

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        open(15,file='end1.m')
        open(16,file='end2.m')
98      format(i5)
        do 140 n=1,nverts
          write(12,100) datnod(1,n)
          write(13,100) datnod(2,n)
          write(14,100) datnod(3,n)
140     continue
100     format(f15.4)
        do 150 n=1,nedges
          write(15,101) nconn(1,n)
          write(16,101) nconn(2,n)
150     continue
101     format(i5)
        call geom(datnod,nconn,nedges,indsum,nbound,mxface,nfaces,
$ mxbdnd,nunknb)
        istart(1)=1
        istart(2)=nfaces+1
        call prntbnd(nconn,nbound,istart,1,nedges,nfaces,1)
c get body parameters
        call bodpar(datnod,nconn,nbound,nverts,nedges,nfaces,nunknb)
998     continue
        stop
        end

c=====
      subroutine prntbnd(nconn,nbound,istart,i,nedges,nfaces,nbodys)
c=====
c this subroutine prints the edges and the vertices of each face.
c input:
c nconn has the vertices and the multiplicity factor for each edge.
c nbound has the edges for each face.
c istart has the beginning faces for each body.
c i is the present body.
c nedges is the total number of edges.
c nfaces is the total number of faces.
c nbodys is the total number of bodys.
      integer nconn(3,6000),nbound(3,6000),istart(200)
      integer nverts(6000,3)
      open(3,file='facelist')
      open(9,file='facedat')
      open(20,file='node1.m')
      open(21,file='node2.m')
      open(22,file='node3.m')
c loop through the faces of this body.
      do 10 i10=istart(i),istart(i+1)-1
        call facvtx(nconn,nedges,nbound(1,i10),nbound(2,i10),
>nbound(3,i10),nv1,nv2,nv3)
        write(3,98)i10,nbound(1,i10),nbound(2,i10),nbound(3,i10),nv1,nv2
>,nv3

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c write face number and vertices to 'facedat'
  write(9,*)i10,nv1,nv2,nv3
  write(20,100) nv1
  write(21,100) nv2
  write(22,100) nv3
  nverts(i10,1)=nv1
  nverts(i10,2)=nv2
  nverts(i10,3)=nv3
10  continue
98  format(1x,'face',i5,' has edges',3i5,' with vertices',3i5)
100 format(i6)
    return
    end

c=====
      subroutine bodpar(datnod,nconn,nbound,nnodes,nedges,nfaces,nunknb)
c=====
c this subroutine computes the body parameters
c input:
c  datnod(i,j) i=1,2,3 are the x,y,z coordinates of the jth node.
c  nconn(3,j): edge j runs from node nconn(1,j) to node nconn(2,j)
c             nconn(3,j) is the multiplicity of the jth edge.
c  nbound(i,j): contains the ith edge of the jth face i=1,2,3.
c  nnodes = the number of body nodes.
c  nedges = the number of edges.
c  nfaces = the number of faces.
c  nunknb = the number of body unknowns.
c output:
c  avedge = the average edge length(meters**2) including multiplicity.
c  edgemx = the maximum edge length(meters).
c  mxedge = the edge number of the edge with length edgemx.
c  edgemn = the minimum edge length(meters).
c  mnedge = the edge number of the edge with length edgemn.
c  tarea = the surface area of the scatter(meters**2):for thin
c          structures only one side is considered in the surface area.
c  avarea = the average area of the faces.
c  mxarea = the number of the face with the maximum area(areamx).
c  mnarea = the number of the face with the minimum area(areamn).
c  ratio = the minimum height to base ratio over all faces.
c  mnrtio = the face number that has a height to base ratio of 'ratio'.
      dimension datnod(3,6000)
      integer nconn(3,6000),nbound(3,6000)
      common/params/avedge,edgemx,mxedge,edgemn,mnedge,tarea,avarea,
      $mxarea,mnarea,areamx,areamn,ratio,mnrtio
      common/mchval/valmax,valmin
c    save /params/
c the following line is a statement function.
      size(x,y,z)=sqrt(x*x+y*y+z*z)
c initialization.
      sedgl=0

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edgemx=valmin
edgemn=valmax
do 20 ie=1,nedges
  mult=nconn(3,ie)
  n1=nconn(1,ie)
  n2=nconn(2,ie)
  x=datnod(1,n2)-datnod(1,n1)
  y=datnod(2,n2)-datnod(2,n1)
  z=datnod(3,n2)-datnod(3,n1)
  edgl=size(x,y,z)
  sedgl=sedgl+mult*edgl
  if(edgl.gt.edgemx)then
    edgemx=edgl
    mxedge=ie
  endif
  if(edgl.lt.edgemn)then
    edgemn=edgl
    mnedge=ie
  endif
20 continue
avedge=sedgl/nunknb
c compute tarea,avarea,mnarea,areamn,mxarea,areamx, ratio, and mnrtio.
ratio=valmax
areamx=valmin
areamn=valmax
tarea=0.
do 40 iface=1,nfaces
  is1=nbound(1,iface)
  is2=nbound(2,iface)
  is3=nbound(3,iface)
  call facvtx(nconn,nedges,is1,is2,is3,nv1,nv2,nv3)
  call vtxcrd(datnod,nnodes,nv1,nv2,nv3,x1,x2,x3,y1,y2,y3,z1,z2,z3
>)
  x1mx3=x1-x3
  y1my3=y1-y3
  z1mz3=z1-z3
  x2mx3=x2-x3
  y2my3=y2-y3
  z2mz3=z2-z3
  x2mx1=x2-x1
  y2my1=y2-y1
  z2mz1=z2-z1
c compute area of face by taking the cross product of two edge vectors.
vx=y1my3*z2mz3-z1mz3*y2my3
vy=z1mz3*x2mx3-x1mx3*z2mz3
vz=x1mx3*y2my3-y1my3*x2mx3
area=.5*size(vx,vy,vz)
c compute the square of the lengths of each side.
r1s=x2mx3*x2mx3+y2my3*y2my3+z2mz3*z2mz3

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      r2s=x1mx3*x1mx3+y1my3*y1my3+z1mz3*z1mz3
      r3s=x2mx1*x2mx1+y2my1*y2my1+z2mz1*z2mz1
c compute the height to base ratios.
      area2=area+area
      htb1=area2/r1s
      htb2=area2/r2s
      htb3=area2/r3s
      htbmin=amin1(htb1,htb2,htb3)
      tarea=tarea+area
      if(area.gt.areamx)then
        mxarea=iface
        areamx=area
      endif
      if(area.lt.areamn)then
        mnarea=iface
        areamn=area
      endif
      if(htbmin.lt.ratio)then
        mnrtio=iface
        ratio=htbmin
      endif
40  continue
      avarea=tarea/nfaces
      write(3,110)
110  format(/25x,'body parameter list'/)
      write(3,111) nnodes,nedges,nfaces,nunknb
111  format(10x,'number of vertices=',i4,/10x,'number of edges=',i4,/10
>x,'number of faces=',i4,/10x,'number of edges including multiplici
>ty=',i4)
      write(3,205)
205  format(/25x,'modeling parameter list (meters)'/)
      write(3,206) tarea
206  format(10x,'surface area of the scatterer=',e12.5,1x,'sq.meters')
      write(3,209) avedge,mxedge,edgemx,mnedge,edgemn
209  format(10x,'average edge length=',e12.5,1x,'meters',
$/10x,'maximum edge length(edge no.',i3,')=',e12.5,1x,'meters',
$/10x,'minimum edge length(edge no.',i3,')=',e12.5,1x,'meters')
      write(3,210) avarea,mxarea,areamx,mnarea,areamn
210  format(10x,'average face area =',e12.5,1x,'sq.meters',/10x,
$/10x,'maximum face area (face no.',i4,1x,')=',e12.5,1x,'sq.meters',/
$/10x,'minimum face area (face no.',i4,1x,')=',e12.5,1x,'sq.meters')
      write(3,211) mnrtio,ratio
211  format(10x,'minimum face height to base ratio (face no.',
$/i4,1x,')=',e11.5)
      return
      end
c=====
      subroutine facedg(nfaces,nbound,iface,iedg1,iedg2,iedg3)
c=====

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c this subroutine returns the edges of face number iface.
  integer nbound(3,6000)
  iedg1=nbound(1,iface)
  iedg2=nbound(2,iface)
  iedg3=nbound(3,iface)
  return
end

=====
      subroutine facvtx(nconn,nedges,ie1,ie2,ie3,nv1,nv2,nv3)
=====
c this subroutine returns the vertices of a given face
c nv1 is node opposite edge ie1.
c nv2 is node opposite edge ie2.
c nv3 is node opposite edge ie3.
  integer nconn(3,6000)
c the node nv1 is the node that edges 2 and 3 have in common.
c the node nv3 is the other node on edge 2.
  if(nconn(1,ie2).eq.nconn(1,ie3).or.nconn(1,ie2).eq.nconn(2,ie3))
    $then
      nv1=nconn(1,ie2)
      nv3=nconn(2,ie2)
    else
      nv1=nconn(2,ie2)
      nv3=nconn(1,ie2)
    endif
c the node nv2 is the node that edges 1 and 3 have in common.
  if(nconn(1,ie1).eq.nconn(1,ie3).or.nconn(1,ie1).eq.nconn(2,ie3))
    $then
      nv2=nconn(1,ie1)
    else
      nv2=nconn(2,ie1)
    endif
  return
end

=====
      subroutine vtxcrd(datnod,nnodes,n1,n2,n3,x1,x2,x3,y1,y2,y3,z1,z2,
>z3)
=====
c this subroutine gets the coordinates of the vertices of a face
  dimension datnod(3,6000)
  x1=datnod(1,n1)
  y1=datnod(2,n1)
  z1=datnod(3,n1)
  x2=datnod(1,n2)
  y2=datnod(2,n2)
  z2=datnod(3,n2)
  x3=datnod(1,n3)
  y3=datnod(2,n3)
  z3=datnod(3,n3)

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return  
end
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Subroutines GEOM, FACETCK, and AXB are used here. Listings appear in Appendix A.

APPENDIX C: PATCH-TO-ACAD TRANSLATOR CODE

As described in Section 5.2, there are two versions of the PATCH-to-ACAD translator: PTA and PTF. PTA translates the entire patch file geometry as a single part. PTF translates each facet as a single part. Only PTF is listed here. Therefore, in the case of PTF, the file length is much greater, but ACAD is able to manipulate each facet. Facet checking is used in subroutine GEOM.

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c program ptf.f
c (similar to pta.f version 3 - uses INSCRIBED CIRCLE face check)
c
c "patch to facet" translator
c ***** differs from pta.f in that each triangle is *****
c ***** an individual part *****
c
c this program reads a file named "in.patch" then reformats the data
c and writes it to the file named "out.facet" which can be read into
c acad as a *.facet file
c x,y,z are node coordinates (index is facet number)
c datnod and nconn are same as in patch.f
c   dimension node(3,6000),nbound(3,6000),np(6000),indsum(6000)
c   dimension datnod(3,6000),nconn(3,6000),istart(6000)
c   character*80 title
c   character*19 dum1
c   character*11 dum2
c verbose mode: iverb=0 displays progress
c   iverb=0
c ***** read patch file *****
c   open(2,file='in.patch',status='old')
c   read(2,11) title
11   format(a80)
c   read(2,*) nverts,nedges
c   do 151 nn=1,nverts
151  read(2,*) n,datnod(1,n),datnod(2,n),datnod(3,n)
c   do 200 nn=1,nedges
200  read(2,*) n,nconn(1,n),nconn(2,n)
c fill array nbound with edges of each face
c   call geom(datnod,nconn,nedges,indsum,nbound,
c   $ nfaces,nunknb)
c   do 201 nf=1,nfaces
c   istart(nf)=nf
c   istart(nf)=nf+1
c   call prntbnd(nconn,nbound,istart,nf,nedges,nfaces,nfaces)
201  continue
c get body parameters
c   call bodpar(datnod,nconn,nbound,nverts,nedges,nfaces,nunknb)
c find the vertices of each face and put in array node
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do 600 n=1,nfaces
if(iverb.eq.0) write(6,*) 'finding vertices of face ',n
  i1=nbound(1,n)
  np(1)=nconn(1,i1)
  np(2)=nconn(2,i1)
  i2=nbound(2,n)
  np(3)=nconn(1,i2)
  np(4)=nconn(2,i2)
  i3=nbound(3,n)
  np(5)=nconn(1,i3)
  np(6)=nconn(2,i3)
c find the three unique points
  node(1,n)=np(1)
  node(2,n)=np(2)
  ieg=3
  do 603 ii=3,6
    npt=np(ii)
    if((npt.ne.np(1)).and.(npt.ne.np(2))) then
c must be the third node
      node(3,n)=npt
      go to 602
    endif
603    continue
602    continue
    if(iverb.eq.0) write(6,*) 'vertices are: ',(node(jj,n),jj=1,3)
600  continue
c ***** write facet file *****
  title='FACET FILE V3.0      SG4D '
  open(1,file='out.facet')
c ignoring material parameters
  write(1,1) title
c number of parts is the number of facets
  write(1,2) nfaces
  do 20 n=1,nfaces
    write(1,13) ' FFace ',n
13    format(a7,i4)
    write(1,4) 0
c each facet has 3 vertices
    write(1,4) 3
    do 40 m=1,3
      write(1,8) datnod(1,node(m,n)),datnod(2,node(m,n)),
& datnod(3,node(m,n))
40    continue
    write(1,2) 1
    write(1,*) 'Tri Sheet 0'
    write(1,7) 3,1,0,0,0,0,0
    write(1,9) 1,2,3
20    continue
1    format(a28)

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2   format(i5)
3   format(a80)
4   format(i1)
5   format(i7)
6   format(2(f14.6,1x),f14.6)
7   format(7i7)
8   format(3(f8.2,1x))
9   format(2x,3i5)
c write new data in MATLAB files
    open(12,file='xpts.m')
    open(13,file='ypts.m')
    open(14,file='zpts.m')
    open(15,file='end1.m')
    open(16,file='end2.m')
90  format(i5)
    do 140 n=1,nverts
        write(12,100) datnod(1,n)
        write(13,100) datnod(2,n)
        write(14,100) datnod(3,n)
140  continue
100  format(f15.4)
    do 150 n=1,nedges
        write(15,101) nconn(1,n)
        write(16,101) nconn(2,n)
150  continue
101  format(i5)
998  continue
    stop
    end

c=====
      subroutine prntbnd(nconn,nbound,istart,i,nedges,nfaces,nbodys)
c=====
c this subroutine prints the edges and the vertices of each face.
c input:
c nconn has the vertices and the multiplicity factor for each edge.
c nbound has the edges for each face.
c istart has the beginning faces for each body.
c i is the present body.
c nedges is the total number of edges.
c nfaces is the total number of faces.
c nbodys is the total number of bodys.
      integer nconn(3,7000),nbound(3,7000),istart(7000)
      integer nverts(7000,3)
      open(3,file='facelist')
      open(9,file='facedat')
      open(20,file='node1.m')
      open(21,file='node2.m')
      open(22,file='node3.m')
c loop through the faces of this body.

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do 10 i10=istart(i),istart(i+1)-1
  call facvtx(nconn,nedges,nbound(1,i10),nbound(2,i10),
>nbound(3,i10),nv1,nv2,nv3)
  write(3,98)i10,nbound(1,i10),nbound(2,i10),nbound(3,i10),nv1,nv2
  >,nv3
c write face number and vertices to 'facedat'
  write(9,*)i10,nv1,nv2,nv3
  write(20,100) nv1
  write(21,100) nv2
  write(22,100) nv3
  nverts(i10,1)=nv1
  nverts(i10,2)=nv2
  nverts(i10,3)=nv3
10 continue
98 format(1x,'face',i5,' has edges',3i5,' with vertices',3i5)
100 format(i6)
  return
end

c=====
  subroutine bodpar(datnod,nconn,nbound,nnodes,nedges,nfaces,nunknb)
c=====
c this subroutine computes the body parameters
c input:
c datnod(i,j) i=1,2,3 are the x,y,z coordinates of the jth node.
c nconn(3,j): edge j runs from node nconn(1,j) to node nconn(2,j)
c           nconn(3,j) is the multiplicity of the jth edge.
c nbound(i,j): contains the ith edge of the jth face i=1,2,3.
c nnodes = the number of body nodes.
c nedges = the number of edges.
c nfaces = the number of faces.
c nunknb = the number of body unknowns.
c output:
c avedge = the average edge length(meters**2) including multiplicity.
c edgemx = the maximum edge length(meters).
c mxedge = the edge number of the edge with length edgemx.
c edgemn = the minimum edge length(meters).
c mnedge = the edge number of the edge with length edgemn.
c tarea = the surface area of the scatter(meters**2):for thin
c           structures only one side is considered in the surface area.
c avarea = the average area of the faces.
c mxarea = the number of the face with the maximum area(areamx).
c mnarea = the number of the face with the minimum area(areamn).
c ratio = the minimum height to base ratio over all faces.
c mnrtio = the face number that has a height to base ratio of 'ratio'.
  dimension datnod(3,6000)
  integer nconn(3,6000),nbound(3,6000)
  common/params/avedge,edgemx,mxedge,edgemn,mnedge,tarea,avarea,
  $mxarea,mnarea,areamx,areamn,ratio,mnrtio
  common/mchval/valmax,valmin

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c      save /params/
c the following line is a statement function.
      size(x,y,z)=sqrt(x*x+y*y+z*z)
c initialization.
      sedgl=0
      edgemx=valmin
      edgemn=valmax
      do 20 ie=1,nedges
        mult=nconn(3,ie)
        n1=nconn(1,ie)
        n2=nconn(2,ie)
        x=datnod(1,n2)-datnod(1,n1)
        y=datnod(2,n2)-datnod(2,n1)
        z=datnod(3,n2)-datnod(3,n1)
        edgl=size(x,y,z)
        sedgl=sedgl+mult*edgl
        if(edgl.gt.edgemx)then
          edgemx=edgl
          mxedge=ie
        endif
        if(edgl.lt.edgemn)then
          edgemn=edgl
          mnedge=ie
        endif
      20 continue
      avedge=sedgl/nunknb
c compute tarea,avarea,mnarea,areamn,mxarea,areamx, ratio,and mnratio.
      ratio=valmax
      areamx=valmin
      areamn=valmax
      tarea=0.
      do 40 iface=1,nfaces
        is1=nbound(1,iface)
        is2=nbound(2,iface)
        is3=nbound(3,iface)
        call facvtx(nconn,nedges,is1,is2,is3,nv1,nv2,nv3)
        call vtxcrd(datnod,nnodes,nv1,nv2,nv3,x1,x2,x3,y1,y2,y3,z1,z2,z3
      >)
        x1mx3=x1-x3
        y1my3=y1-y3
        z1mz3=z1-z3
        x2mx3=x2-x3
        y2my3=y2-y3
        z2mz3=z2-z3
        x2mx1=x2-x1
        y2my1=y2-y1
        z2mz1=z2-z1
c compute area of face by taking the cross product of two edge vectors.
        vx=y1my3*z2mz3-z1mz3*y2my3

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vy=z1mz3*x2mx3-x1mx3*z2mz3
vz=x1mx3*y2my3-y1my3*x2mx3
area=.5*size(vx,vy,vz)
c compute the square of the lengths of each side.
r1s=x2mx3*x2mx3+y2my3*y2my3+z2mz3*z2mz3
r2s=x1mx3*x1mx3+y1my3*y1my3+z1mz3*z1mz3
r3s=x2mx1*x2mx1+y2my1*y2my1+z2mz1*z2mz1
c compute the height to base ratios.
area2=area+area
htb1=area2/r1s
htb2=area2/r2s
htb3=area2/r3s
htbmin=amin1(htb1,htb2,htb3)
tarea=tarea+area
if(area.gt.areamx)then
  mxarea=iface
  areamx=area
endif
if(area.lt.areamn)then
  mnarea=iface
  areamn=area
endif
if(htbmin.lt.ratio)then
  mnrtio=iface
  ratio=htbmin
endif
40 continue
avarea=tarea/nfaces
write(3,110)
110 format(/25x,'body parameter list'/)
write(3,111) nnodes,nedges,nfaces,nunknb
111 format(10x,'number of vertices=',i4,/10x,'number of edges=',i4,/10
>x,'number of faces=',i4,/10x,'number of edges including multiplici
>ty=',i4)
write(3,205)
205 format(/25x,'modeling parameter list (meters)'/)
write(3,206) tarea
206 format(10x,'surface area of the scatterer=',e12.5,1x,'sq.meters')
write(3,209) avedge,mxedge,edgemx,mnedge,edgemn
209 format(10x,'average edge length=',1e12.5,1x,'meters',
$/10x,'maximum edge length(edge no.',i3,')=',e12.5,1x,'meters',
$/10x,'minimum edge length(edge no.',i3,')=',e12.5,1x,'meters')
write(3,210) avarea,mxarea,areamx,mnarea,areamn
210 format(10x,'average face area =',e12.5,1x,'sq.meters',/10x,
$/10x,'maximum face area (face no.',i4,1x,')=',e12.5,1x,'sq.meters',/
$/10x,'minimum face area (face no.',i4,1x,')=',e12.5,1x,'sq.meters')
write(3,211) mnrtio,ratio
211 format(10x,'minimum face height to base ratio (face no.',
$/i4,1x,')=',e11.5)

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        return
    end
c=====
    subroutine facedg(nfaces,nbound,iface,iedg1,iedg2,iedg3)
c=====
c this subroutine returns the edges of face number iface.
    integer nbound(3,7000)
    iedg1=nbound(1,iface)
    iedg2=nbound(2,iface)
    iedg3=nbound(3,iface)
    return
    end
c=====
    subroutine facvtx(nconn,nedges,ie1,ie2,ie3,nv1,nv2,nv3)
c=====
c this subroutine returns the vertices of a given face
c nv1 is node opposite edge ie1.
c nv2 is node opposite edge ie2.
c nv3 is node opposite edge ie3.
    integer nconn(3,7000)
c the node nv1 is the node that edges 2 and 3 have in common.
c the node nv3 is the other node on edge 2.
    if(nconn(1,ie2).eq.nconn(1,ie3).or.nconn(1,ie2).eq.nconn(2,ie3))
    $then
        nv1=nconn(1,ie2)
        nv3=nconn(2,ie2)
    else
        nv1=nconn(2,ie2)
        nv3=nconn(1,ie2)
    endif
c the node nv2 is the node that edges 1 and 3 have in common.
    if(nconn(1,ie1).eq.nconn(1,ie3).or.nconn(1,ie1).eq.nconn(2,ie3))
    $then
        nv2=nconn(1,ie1)
    else
        nv2=nconn(2,ie1)
    endif
    return
    end
c=====
    subroutine vtxcrd(datnod,nnodes,n1,n2,n3,x1,x2,x3,y1,y2,y3,z1,z2,
    >z3)
c=====
c this subroutine gets the coordinates of the vertices of a face
    dimension datnod(3,6000)
    x1=datnod(1,n1)
    y1=datnod(2,n1)
    z1=datnod(3,n1)
    x2=datnod(1,n2)

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y2=datnod(2,n2)
z2=datnod(3,n2)
x3=datnod(1,n3)
y3=datnod(2,n3)
z3=datnod(3,n3)
return
end
```

Subroutines GEOM, FACETCK, and AXB are used here. Listings appear in Appendix A.

APPENDIX D: PATCH-TO-NEC TRANSLATOR CODE

The PATCH-to-NEC translator allows the user to convert a PATCH input file into a format that can be read by NEC. CAUTION: The correspondence is only approximate and some errors may result as noted in Section 5.3

```
c program ptn.f
c
c "patch to NEC" translator
c
c this program reads a file named "in.patch" then reformats the data
c and writes it to the file named "out.nec" which can be read by NEC.
c x,y,z are node coordinates (index is facet number)
c datnod and nconn are same as in patch.f
c if iflag=0 edges in the xy plane (i.e., z < eps) are deleted
c (omitted in the NEC GW list)
      dimension datnod(3,8000),nconn(3,8000)
      character*80 title
      iflag=0
      eps=1.e-4
c ***** read patch file *****
      open(2,file='in.patch',status='old')
      read(2,12) title
12    format(a80)
      read(2,*) nverts,nedges
      do 151 nn=1,nverts
151   read(2,*) n,datnod(1,n),datnod(2,n),datnod(3,n)
      do 200 nn=1,nedges
200   read(2,*) n,nconn(1,n),nconn(2,n)
c ***** write NEC file *****
c patch edge index becomes tag number
c radius of each wire is set to 1/10 of its length
      open(1,file='out.nec')
      do 10 ne=1,nedges
c coordinates of first end
        n1=nconn(1,ne)
        x1=datnod(1,n1)
        y1=datnod(2,n1)
        z1=datnod(3,n1)
c coordinates of second end
        n2=nconn(2,ne)
        x2=datnod(1,n2)
        y2=datnod(2,n2)
        z2=datnod(3,n2)
c if iflag=0 and this segment lies in the xy plane omit it from
c the GW list. Note that the edge list is not compacted, only
c they are omitted in the write
        if(iflag.eq.0) then
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        if((z1.lt.eps).and.(z2.lt.eps)) go to 20
    endif
    segl=sqrt((x2-x1)**2+(y2-y1)**2+(z2-z1)**2)
c set radius for this segment
    r0=segl/10.
    if(r0.gt.0.2) r0=0.2
    if(r0.lt.0.02) r0=0.02
    write(1,300) 'GW',ne,1,x1,y1,z1,x2,y2,z2,r0
20    continue
10    continue
300    format(a2,1x,2(i4,1x),6(f7.2,2x),f5.2)
    write(1,400) 'GE',1,2
    write(1,400) 'GN',1
    write(1,400) 'EN'
400    format(a2,2x,i1,2x,i1)
    stop
end

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APPENDIX E: PATCH INPUT CHECKING CODE (KNIT)

KNIT checks a PATCH input file for duplicate edges and nodes.

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c program knit.f      (final version 4: 12/10/95)
c
c removes duplicate nodes in a inpatch file & NONEDGES
c finds lines that cross or are parallel
c (an edge that has the same node at both ends.  this
c allows triagles to be built from quadralaterals.)
c edge and node tags do not have to be ordered in 'inknit'
c edge numbers out will be different than edge numbers in
c datnod is the same as in patch.f
      dimension new1(5000),new2(5000),datnod(3,5000),nnord(5000)
      dimension tmpdat(3,5000),icount(5000),neord(5000)
      dimension ivmin(5000),ivtx(5000,2000),iskip(5000),indx(5000)
      dimension nedge(5000),node(5000),nflag(5000),mflag(5000)
      integer tmpnod(5000),end2(5000),end1(5000)
      character*80 title
      character*8 fin, fout
      data nflag/5000*0/,mflag/5000*0/,iscl/1/,iverb/0/
c distances less than eps are considered the same
      eps=1.e-3
c iverb=0: verbose mode -- progress displayed
c iscl=0: rescale data
      iverb=1
      xmin=1.e6
      ymin=1.e6
      zmin=1.e6
      xmax=-1.e6
      ymax=-1.e6
      zmax=-1.e6
*****
c read the inpatch file named inknit
*****
      write(6,*)
      & 'enter file name to remove duplicate edges and nodes:'
      read(5,1) fin
1      format(a8)
      write(6,*)
      & 'enter output file name (<9 char & different from input name)'
      read(5,1) fout
      open(1,file=fin,status='old')
      open(2,file=fout)
      read(1,2) title
2      format(a80)
      read(1,*) nverts,nedges
      write(6,*) 'nverts,nedges=',nverts,nedges
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nodes=nverts
do 10 n=1,nverts
read(1,*) node(n),xx,yy,zz
  xmax=amax1(xmax,xx)
  ymax=amax1(ymax,yy)
  zmax=amax1(zmax,zz)
  xmin=amin1(xmin,xx)
  ymin=amin1(ymin,yy)
  zmin=amin1(zmin,zz)
  tmpdat(1,n)=xx
  tmpdat(2,n)=yy
  tmpdat(3,n)=zz
  datnod(1,n)=tmpdat(1,n)
  datnod(2,n)=tmpdat(2,n)
  datnod(3,n)=tmpdat(3,n)
  tmpnod(n)=node(n)
c if the node has been read change the flag from 0 to 1
  if(nflag(node(n)).eq.0) nflag(node(n))=1
10  continue
  do 20 n=1,nedges
  read(1,*) nedge(n),end1(n),end2(n)
  new1(n)=end1(n)
  new2(n)=end2(n)
c if the edge has been read change the flag from 0 to 1
  if(mflag(nedge(n)).eq.0) mflag(nedge(n))=1
20  continue
c check to see if any nodes have not been read
  do 30 n=1,nverts
  if(nflag(n).eq.0) then
    write(6,*) 'node index skipped: ',n
  endif
30  continue
c check to see if any edges have not been read
  do 35 n=1,nedges
  if(mflag(n).eq.0) then
    write(6,*) 'edge index skipped: ',n
  endif
35  continue
  write(6,*) 'finished reading file inknit'
*****
c order node numbers from lowest to highest in case they have not
c been defined this way
  do 573 n1=1,nodes
  do 570 n2=1,nodes
c find edge n1 and save
    if(node(n2).eq.n1) then
      nnord(n1)=n2
      datnod(1,n1)=tmpdat(1,n2)
      datnod(2,n1)=tmpdat(2,n2)

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        datnod(3,n1)=tmpdat(3,n2)
        go to 572
    endif
570    continue
572    continue
573    continue
    do 575 n=1,nodes
        tmpdat(1,n)=datnod(1,n)
        tmpdat(2,n)=datnod(2,n)
        tmpdat(3,n)=datnod(3,n)
        node(n)=nnord(n)
575    continue
        write(6,*) 'nodes re-ordered from low to high'
c find duplicate vertices and save their indices
c icount(i) counts the number of times vertex i occurs
    do 75 iv1=1,nverts
        x1=tmpdat(1,iv1)
        y1=tmpdat(2,iv1)
        z1=tmpdat(3,iv1)
        icount(iv1)=1
c keep track of vertex number iv1 and its duplicates
c ivtx(node number, occurrence number, duplicate index)
        ivtx(iv1,icount(iv1))=iv1
    do 73 iv2=1,nverts
        if(iv1.ne.iv2) then
            x2=tmpdat(1,iv2)
            y2=tmpdat(2,iv2)
            z2=tmpdat(3,iv2)
            dx=abs(x1-x2)
            dy=abs(y1-y2)
            dz=abs(z1-z2)
            if((dx.lt.eps).and.(dy.lt.eps).and.(dz.lt.eps)) then
                icount(iv1)=icount(iv1)+1
                ivtx(iv1,icount(iv1))=iv2
            endif
        endif
    do 73 iv2=1,nverts
        continue
75    continue
        if(iverb.eq.0) write(6,*) 'array ivtx filled'
c for each vertex find the smallest index
    do 78 iv=1,nverts
        ivmin(iv)=nverts+1
        do 78 ii=1,icount(iv)
            ivmin(iv)=min(ivmin(iv),ivtx(iv,ii))
78    continue
        if(iverb.eq.0) write(6,*) 'found smallest index'
c find duplicate vertices
        irem=0
        do 76 ii=1,nverts

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c if minimum index is .lt. ii this is a duplicate
    if(ivmin(ii).lt.ii) then
        irem=irem+1
        iskip(irem)=ii
    endif
76    continue
    if(iverb.eq.0) write(6,*) 'duplicate vertices tagged'
c order the indices to be removed from lowest to highest
    if(iverb.eq.0) write(6,*) 'start to re-order indices'
    idx=nverts
    do 85 i1=1,irem
        do 83 i2=1,irem-i1+1
            indx(i1)=min(idx,iskip(i2))
83        continue
            idx=indx(i1)+1
85    continue
    if(iverb.eq.0) then
        write(6,*) 'skip',' ','ordered'
        do 190 ix=1,irem
190        write(6,*) iskip(ix),' ',indx(ix)
        endif
*****
c fill array tmpnod with original node values
    do 196 nn=1,nverts
        tmpnod(nn)=node(nn)
196    continue
c set all node indices to minimum value
    do 95 nn=1,nverts
        iv=tmpnod(nn)
        node(nn)=ivmin(iv)
95    continue
c refill tmpnod with minimum node values
    do 96 nn=1,nverts
c set all endpoints to minimum node values
        do 91 kk=1,nedges
            if(end1(kk).eq.tmpnod(nn)) new1(kk)=node(nn)
            if(end2(kk).eq.tmpnod(nn)) new2(kk)=node(nn)
91        continue
96    continue
        do 192 kk=1,nedges
            end1(kk)=new1(kk)
            end2(kk)=new2(kk)
192    continue
c remove duplicate nodes and shift remaining nodes down one for
c each previous node removed
    do 79 ir=1,irem
        do 79 iv=indx(ir),nverts-ir
            datnod(1,iv)=datnod(1,iv+1)
            datnod(2,iv)=datnod(2,iv+1)

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        datnod(3,iv)=datnod(3,iv+1)
79      continue
c check each node to see how many previous nodes have been removed
c (to determine the number of steps to decrement the index)
        do 90 nn=1,nverts
            idx=tmpnod(nn)
c count vertices .lt. idx that have been removed
c nodes greater than iskip(ir) drop one; those less than iskip(ir) stay
            iter=0
            do 93 ir=1,irem
                if(idx.eq.idx(ir)) go to 90
                do 93 ii=1,idx
                    if(ii.eq.idx(ir)) iter=iter+1
93          continue
            it=it+1
            node(it)=tmpnod(nn)-iter
c find all edges with this node and also shift them down
c note end1 & end2 have original node numbers; new1 & new2 have new
c node numbers
            do 179 kk=1,nedges
                if(end1(kk).eq.tmpnod(nn)) new1(kk)=node(it)
                if(end2(kk).eq.tmpnod(nn)) new2(kk)=node(it)
179          continue
90      continue
        nverts=nverts-irem
        write(6,*) 'final number of vertices =',nverts
        do 28 i=1,nedges
            end1(i)=new1(i)
28      end2(i)=new2(i)
*****
c rescale data if desired
*****
        if(iscl.eq.0) then
            write(6,*) 'rescale data? (0=yes/1=no)'
            read(5,*) ans
            if(ans.eq.0) then
                write(6,*) 'xmax,xmin=',xmax,xmin
                write(6,*) 'ymax,ymin=',ymax,ymin
                write(6,*) 'zmax,zmin=',zmax,zmin
                write(6,*) 'enter scale factor'
                read(5,*) fac
                do 50 n=1,nverts
                    datnod(1,n)=fac*datnod(1,n)
                    datnod(2,n)=fac*datnod(2,n)
                    datnod(3,n)=fac*datnod(3,n)
50          continue
            endif
        endif
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c remove duplicate edges and use new node numbers
*****
c order edge numbers from lowest to highest in case they have not
c been defined this way
      do 473 n1=1,nedges
        do 470 n2=1,nedges
c find edge n1 and save
          if(nedge(n2).eq.n1) then
            neord(n1)=n1
            new1(n1)=end1(n2)
            new2(n1)=end2(n2)
            go to 472
          endif
470      continue
472      continue
473      continue
      do 471 nn=1,nedges
        if(iverb.eq.0) then
          write(6,*) 'nn,nedge,neord=',nn,nedge(nn),neord(nn)
        endif
        nedge(nn)=neord(nn)
        end1(nn)=new1(nn)
        end2(nn)=new2(nn)
471      continue
        write(6,*) 'edges re-ordered from low to high'
*****
        inon=0
        do 300 n=1,nedges
          if(end1(n).eq.end2(n)) then
            inon=inon+1
c nonedge found remove edge index and slide all edges down one
            do 310 nn=n,nedges+1-inon
              end1(nn)=end1(nn+1)
              end2(nn)=end2(nn+1)
              new1(nn)=new1(nn+1)
              new2(nn)=new2(nn+1)
              nedge(nn)=nn
              neord(nn)=nn
310          continue
            endif
300          continue
            nedges=nedges-inon
            write(6,*) 'number of nonedges found was ',inon
            if(iverb.eq.0) then
              write(6,*) 'start to generate edge connection list'
            endif
c search for duplicate edges
c for each edge (n=1,nedges) check the vertices to see if they have
c been previously assigned an edge number. save the unique set of

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c endpoints in end1 and end2. length will be ncount.
  do 175 ie1=1,nedges
    icount(ie1)=1
    np1=end1(ie1)
    np2=end2(ie1)
c keep track of vertex number iv1 and its duplicates
c ivtx(node number, occurrence number, duplicate index)
    ivtx(ie1,icount(ie1))=ie1
    do 173 ie2=1,nedges
      if(ie1.ne.ie2) then
        mp1=end1(ie2)
        mp2=end2(ie2)
        if(((np1.eq.mp1).and.(np2.eq.mp2)).or.
          & ((np2.eq.mp1).and.(np1.eq.mp2))) then
c      .or.(np1.eq.mp2)) then
          icount(ie1)=icount(ie1)+1
          ivtx(ie1,icount(ie1))=ie2
        endif
      endif
173    continue
175    continue
c for each edge find the smallest index
    do 178 ie=1,nedges
      ivmin(ie)=nedges+1
      do 178 ii=1,icount(ie)
        ivmin(ie)=min(ivmin(ie),ivtx(ie,ii))
178    continue
c find duplicate edges
    irem=0
    do 176 ii=1,nedges
c if minimum index is .lt. ii this is a duplicate
      if(ivmin(ii).lt.ii) then
        irem=irem+1
        iskip(irem)=ii
      endif
176    continue
c order the edges to be removed from lowest to highest
    write(6,*) 'number of duplicate edges=',irem
    if(iverb.eq.0) write(6,*) 're-ordering edges'
    idx=nedges
    do 185 i1=1,irem
      do 183 i2=1,irem-i1+1
        indx(i1)=min(indx,iskip(i2))
183      continue
      idx=indx(i1)+1
185    continue
    if(iverb.eq.0) then
      write(6,*) 'skip',' ','ordered'
    do 191 ix=1,irem

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191      write(6,*) iskip(ix),'      ',indx(ix)
      endif
c+++++
c remove duplicate edges and shift remaining edges down one for
c each previous edge removed
      do 279 ir=1,irem
        do 279 ie=indx(ir),nedges-ir
          new1(ie)=new1(ie+1)
          new2(ie)=new2(ie+1)
c          neord(ie)=neord(ie+1)
279      continue
        nedges=nedges-irem
        write(6,*) 'final number of edges =',nedges
        if(iverb.eq.0) write(6,*) 'edge connection list generated'
***** THIS PORTION OF THE CODE HAS NOT BEEN VALIDATED *****
c find lines that cross or overlap
c      write(6,*)
c      & '*****'
c      do 909 na=1,nedges
c        ne=nedge(na)
c        n1=end1(ne)
c        n2=end2(ne)
c        x1=datnod(1,n1)
c        y1=datnod(2,n1)
c        z1=datnod(3,n1)
c        x2=datnod(1,n2)
c        y2=datnod(2,n2)
c        z2=datnod(3,n2)
c        do 908 mb=1,nedges
c          me=nedge(mb)
c dont check if same edge
c          if(me.le.ne) go to 907
c          m1=end1(me)
c          m2=end2(me)
c at this point it has been assumed that all duplicate edges have
c been removed. don't want to consider lines that have a common end point
c          if((n1.eq.m1).or.(n2.eq.m2).or.
c          & (n1.eq.m2).or.(n2.eq.m1)) go to 907
c          x3=datnod(1,m1)
c          y3=datnod(2,m1)
c          z3=datnod(3,m1)
c          x4=datnod(1,m2)
c          y4=datnod(2,m2)
c          z4=datnod(3,m2)
c          write(6,*) 'calling intersect for edges ',me,ne
c          call intersect(x1,y1,z1,x2,y2,z2,x3,y3,z3,
c          & x4,y4,z4,iflag,ipar)
c          if(ipar.eq.0)
c          & write(6,*) 'WARNING - edges overlap: ',me,ne

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c      if(iflag.eq.0)
c      &  write(6,*) 'WARNING - edges cross: ',me,ne
907    continue
908    continue
909    continue
      write(6,*)
      &  '*****'
*****
c write reformed data to file
*****
      open(2,file=fout)
      write(2,2) title
      write(2,*) nverts,nedges
      do 151 n=1,nverts
151    write(2,*) node(n),datnod(1,n),datnod(2,n),datnod(3,n)
      do 200 n=1,nedges
      nedge(n)=neord(n)
200    write(2,*) nedge(n),new1(n),new2(n)
c write new data in MATLAB files
      open(12,file='xpts.m')
      open(13,file='ypts.m')
      open(14,file='zpts.m')
      open(15,file='end1.m')
      open(16,file='end2.m')
98    format(i5)
      do 140 n=1,nverts
      write(12,100) datnod(1,n)
      write(13,100) datnod(2,n)
      write(14,100) datnod(3,n)
140    continue
100    format(f15.4)
      do 150 n=1,nedges
      write(15,101) new1(n)
      write(16,101) new2(n)
150    continue
101    format(i5)
998    continue
      stop
      end
      subroutine intersect(x1,y1,z1,x2,y2,z2,x3,y3,z3,
      &  x4,y4,z4,iflag,ipar)
c subroutine to find the intersection of two lines
c endpoints of line 1: (x1,y1,z1) and (x2,y2,z2)
c endpoints of line 2: (x3,y3,z3) and (x4,y4,z4)
c if there is an intersection iflag=0
c ipar=0 denotes overlapping lines
      tol=1.e-5
      iflag=1
      ipar=1

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a1=x2-x1
b1=y2-y1
c1=z2-z1
a2=x4-x3
b2=y4-y3
c2=z4-z3
v1=b1*c2-b2*c1
v2=c1*a2-c2*a1
v3=a2*b1-a1*b2
d1=x3-x1
d2=y3-y1
d3=z3-z1
rdotv2=d1*a2+d2*b2+d3*c2
rdotv1=d1*a1+d2*b1+d3*c1
v1dotv2=a1*a2+b1*b2+c1*c2
v2dotv2=a2*a2+b2*b2+c2*c2
v1xv2sq=v1**2+v2**2+v3**2
if(v1xv2sq.lt.tol) v1xv2sq=0.
c check to see if the lines are parallel; set ipar=0 if cross
c product is zero
    if(v1xv2sq.eq.0.) then
c if these lines are parallel see if they overlap. note it is
c assumed that this subroutine is not called for the same edge
c ***** case 1: none of the coeffs are zero *****
        if((abs(a1).gt.tol).and.(abs(b1).gt.tol).and.
& (abs(c1).gt.tol)) then
c            write(6,*) 'case1'
                p=(x3-x1)/a1
                q=(y3-y1)/b1
                r=(z3-z1)/c1
                if((abs(p-q).gt.tol).and.(abs(q-r).gt.tol).and.
& (abs(p-r).gt.tol)) ipar=0
                p=(x4-x1)/a1
                q=(y4-y1)/b1
                r=(z4-z1)/c1
                if((abs(p-q).gt.tol).and.(abs(q-r).gt.tol).and.
& (abs(p-r).gt.tol)) ipar=0
            endif
c ***** case 2: one of the coeffs are zero *****
c if a1=0 compare y and z
        if((abs(a1).lt.tol).and.(abs(b1).gt.tol).and.
& (abs(c1).gt.tol)) then
c            write(6,*) 'case2a'
                q=(y3-y1)/b1
                r=(z3-z1)/c1
                if(abs(r-q).gt.tol) ipar=0
                q=(y4-y1)/b1
                r=(z4-z1)/c1
                if(abs(r-q).gt.tol) ipar=0

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        endif
c if b1=0 compare x and z
    if((abs(b1).lt.tol).and.(abs(a1).gt.tol).and.
    & (abs(c1).gt.tol)) then
c    write(6,*) 'case2b'
        p=(x3-x1)/a1
        r=(z3-z1)/c1
        if(abs(p-r).gt.tol) ipar=0
        p=(x4-x1)/a1
        r=(z4-z1)/c1
        if(abs(p-r).gt.tol) ipar=0
    endif
c if c1=0 compare x and y
    if((abs(c1).lt.tol).and.(abs(b1).gt.tol).and.
    & (abs(a1).gt.tol)) then
c    write(6,*) 'case2c'
        p=(x3-x1)/a1
        q=(y3-y1)/b1
        if(abs(p-q).gt.tol) ipar=0
        p=(x4-x1)/a1
        q=(y4-y1)/b1
        if(abs(p-q).gt.tol) ipar=0
    endif
c ***** case 3: two of the coeffs are zero *****
c if a1=0 and b1=0 line is parallel to z axis
    if((abs(b1).lt.tol).and.(abs(a1).lt.tol)) then
        if((abs(x1-x3).lt.tol).and.(abs(y1-y3).lt.tol)) ipar=0
c    write(6,*) 'case3a'
    endif
c if a1=0 and c1=0 line is parallel to y axis
    if((abs(c1).lt.tol).and.(abs(a1).lt.tol)) then
        if((abs(x1-x3).lt.tol).and.(abs(z1-z3).lt.tol)) ipar=0
c    write(6,*) 'case3b'
    endif
c if b1=0 and c1=0 line is parallel to x axis
    if((abs(c1).lt.tol).and.(abs(b1).lt.tol)) then
        if((abs(y1-y3).lt.tol).and.(abs(z1-z3).lt.tol)) ipar=0
c    write(6,*) 'case3c'
    endif
endif
100 continue
c find intersections
if(ipar.ne.0) then
    tee=(rdotv1*v2dotv2-rdotv2*v2dotv1)/v1xv2sq
    if((tee.gt.0.).and.(tee.lt.1.)) then
        iflag=0
        x0=x1+tee*a1
        y0=y1+tee*b1
        z0=z1+tee*c1
    endif
endif

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c check:
    u0=x3+tee*a2
    v0=y3+tee*b2
    w0=z3+tee*c2
    if((abs(x0-u0).gt.tol).or.(abs(y0-v0).gt.tol).or.
&      (abs(z0-w0).gt.tol)) iflag=1
    endif
    endif
200  return
    end

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APPENDIX F: GEOMETRY FILE BUILDER (BLDMAT)

BLDMAT generates data files with the ".m" extension so that they can be loaded into MATLAB. The files are used by the matlab script PLTPATCH to view a three-dimensional plot of the geometry. BLDMAT also generates an edge connection list that is identical to that of PATCH.

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c program bldmatfck.f (DEVELOPMENT version 2: 2/96)
c program to read inpach data (output from buildn5 or mbuild)
c and write the variables to *.m files for use by MATLAB
*****
      parameter(mxunkn=5500,mxbdnd=2500,mxedgs=5500,mxface=3700,
$ mxfu=5500,mxdjbd=50,mxmult=3)
*****
      dimension x(mxbdnd),y(mxbdnd),z(mxbdnd),node(mxbdnd)
      dimension nedge(mxedgs),np1(mxedgs),np2(mxedgs),nbe(mxdjbd)
      dimension datnod(3,mxbdnd),nconn(3,mxedgs),nbound(3,mxface)
      dimension indsum(mxedgs),istart(mxdjbd+1),ipvt(mxfu)
      dimension iedgf(mxmult+1,mxedgs)
      character*50 title
      character*9 namein
      mult1=mxmult+1
      write(6,*) 'enter input file name'
      read(5,3) namein
3      format(a9)
      open(1,file=namein,status='old')
      read(1,2) title
2      format(a50)
      read(1,*) nvert,nedges
      nnodes=nvert
      write(6,*) 'nvert,nedges=',nvert,nedges
      do 10 n=1,nvert
10     read(1,*) node(n),x(n),y(n),z(n)
      do 20 n=1,nedges
20     read(1,*) nedge(n),np1(n),np2(n)
c write new data in MATLAB files
      open(12,file='xpts.m')
      open(13,file='ypts.m')
      open(14,file='zpts.m')
      open(15,file='end1.m')
      open(16,file='end2.m')
      open(3,file='facefck')
      write(3,*) namein
90     format(i5)
      do 40 n=1,nvert
      write(12,100) x(n)
      write(13,100) y(n)
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        write(14,100) z(n)
40    continue
100   format(f15.4)
        do 50 n=1,nedges
            write(15,101) np1(n)
            write(16,101) np2(n)
50    continue
101   format(i5)
c fill datnod with node locations
        do 110 n=1,nvert
            datnod(1,n)=x(n)
            datnod(2,n)=y(n)
            datnod(3,n)=z(n)
110   continue
c fill nconn with edge connections.
        do 120 n=1,nedges
            nconn(1,n)=np1(n)
            nconn(2,n)=np2(n)
            nconn(3,n)=-1
120   continue
        call geom(datnod,nconn,nedges,indsum,nbound,mxface,nfaces,
$ mxbdnd,nunknb,mxedgs)
        call curdir(nconn,nbound,nfaces,nedges,mxdjbd,ipvt,istart,
$ nbodys,nbe)
        write(6,*) 'number of disjoint bodies is ',nbodys
        do 210 i=1,nbodys
            call prntbnd(nconn,nbound,istart,i,nedges,nfaces,nbodys)
210   continue
        call edgfac(nconn,nedges,nbound,nfaces,iedgf,mult1)
c    call edgep(nnodes,nedges,datnod,nconn,nunknb
c    $ ,iedgf,mult1,nbound,nfaces)
c get body parameters
        call bodpar(datnod,nconn,nbound,nnodes,nedges,nfaces,nbodys,
$ nunknb)
        stop
        end
c=====
        subroutine curdir(nconn,nbound,nfaces,nedges,mxdjbd,itree,istart,
$ nbodys,nbe)
c=====
c all edges in the first disjoint surface are numbered consecutively
c starting from 1. the edges in the next disjoint surface are numbered
c consecutively, starting where the last surface left off.
c
c input:
c nconn(3,nedges): edge j runs from vertex nconn(1,j) to vertex
c nconn(2,j). nconn(3,j)=multiplicity factor of the edge.
c nbound(3,nfaces): each face j has edges nbound(i,j) i=1,2,3
c j=1,2,...,nfaces.

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c  nfaces equals the total number of faces.
c  nedges equals the total number of edges.
c  mxdjbd equals the maximum number of expected bodys.
c
c  output:
c  istart(mxdjbd+1):istart(i)=the lowest numbered face on the ith
c                               tree(disjoint surface)
c  istart(nbodys+1)=nfaces+1
c  mxdjbd.ge.nbodys or routine stops and prints a warning.
c  itree(nfaces)
c  itree(i) i=1,...,istart(2)-1 =the faces on the first tree.
c  itree(i) i=istart(j),...,istart(j+1)-1,=the faces on the jth tree.
c  nbodys equals the number of disjoint surfaces.
c  nbe(mxdjbd):nbe(i) contains the number of boundry edges for body i.
c
c      integer nconn(3,nedges),nbound(3,nfaces),itree(nfaces),
c      >      istart(mxdjbd+1),nbe(mxdjbd)
c  set present tree to first tree.
c  ntree=total number of faces stored in the tree.
c  lnf=lowest numbered face occuring in the present tree.
c  conveniently it happens that itree(lnf)=lnf so lnf=lowest index i
c  so that itree(i) is in the present tree.
c      do 40 i=1,mxdjbd
c          nbe(i)=0
40  continue
c      nface1=nfaces+1
c      ntree=1
c      lnf=1
c      itree(lnf)=lnf
c      istart(1)=lnf
c      do 1 nbodys=1,mxdjbd
c  add the number of boundry edges in the first face of this body to
c  nbe(nbody).
c      if(nconn(3,nbound(1,lnf)).eq.0)nbe(nbodys)=nbe(nbodys)+1
c      if(nconn(3,nbound(2,lnf)).eq.0)nbe(nbodys)=nbe(nbodys)+1
c      if(nconn(3,nbound(3,lnf)).eq.0)nbe(nbodys)=nbe(nbodys)+1
c  search for a face that may be added to the present tree.
51  do 50 iface=lnf+1,nfaces
c  if iface is already in tree continue search.
c      do 10 jtree=lnf,ntree
c          if(iface.eq.itree(jtree))goto 50
10  continue
c  test to see if iface has an edge in common with present tree.
c      lowface=nface1
c  find the lowest face with a common edge.
c      do 20 jtree=lnf,ntree
c  test for a common edge.
c          do 30 i=1,3
c              do 31 j=1,3

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                if(nbound(i,iface).eq.nbound(j,itree(jtree)).and.
$                itree(jtree).lt.lowface)lowface=itree(jtree)
31          continue
30          continue
20          continue
            if(lowface.ne.nface1)then
c common edge has been found.
              do 60 i=1,3
                do 61 j=1,3
                  if(nbound(i,iface).eq.nbound(j,lowface))then
c increment number of faces in the tree and add iface to present tree.
                    ntree=ntree+1
                    itree(ntree)=iface
c add the number of boundry edges in this face to nbe.
                    if(nconn(3,nbound(1,iface)).eq.0)
>                      nbe(nbodys)=nbe(nbodys)+1
                    if(nconn(3,nbound(2,iface)).eq.0)
>                      nbe(nbodys)=nbe(nbodys)+1
                    if(nconn(3,nbound(3,iface)).eq.0)
>                      nbe(nbodys)=nbe(nbodys)+1
                    goto 51
                endif
61          continue
60          continue
            endif
50          continue
            lnf=ntree+1
            if(lnf.le.nfaces)then
                istart(nbodys+1)=lnf
c initialize new tree.
                ntree=ntree+1
                itree(ntree)=lnf
            else
                goto 999
            endif
1          continue
            write(3,99)
99          format(1x,'warning in curdir mxdjbd found but still have faces',
$' left')
            stop
999         continue
            istart(nbodys+1)=nfaces+1
            return
            end
c=====
      subroutine bodpar(datnod,nconn,nbound,nnodes,nedges,nfaces,
$ nbodys,nunknb)
c=====
c input:

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c  datnod(i,j) i=1,2,3 are the x,y,z coordinates of the jth node.
c  nconn(3,j): edge j runs from node nconn(1,j) to node nconn(2,j)
c           nconn(3,j) is the multiplicity of the jth edge.
c  nbound(i,j): contains the ith edge of the jth face i=1,2,3.
c  nnodes = the number of body nodes.
c  nedges = the number of edges.
c  nfaces = the number of faces.
c  nunknb = the number of body unknowns.
c output:
c  avedge = the average edge length(meters**2) including multiplicity.
c  edgemx = the maximum edge length(meters).
c  mxedge = the edge number of the edge with length edgemx.
c  edgemn = the minimum edge length(meters).
c  mnedge = the edge number of the edge with length edgemn.
c  tarea = the surface area of the scatter(meters**2):for thin
c           structures only one side is considered in the surface area.
c  avarea = the average area of the faces.
c  mxarea = the number of the face with the maximum area(areamx).
c  mnarea = the number of the face with the minimum area(areamn).
c  ratio = the minimum height to base ratio over all faces.
c  mnrtio = the face number that has a height to base ratio of 'ratio'.
      dimension datnod(3,nnodes)
      integer nconn(3,nedges),nbound(3,nfaces)
c  common/params/avedge,edgemx,mxedge,edgemn,mnedge,tarea,avarea,
c  $mxarea,mnarea,areamx,areamn,ratio,mnrtio
c the following line is a statement function.
      size(x,y,z)=sqrt(x*x+y*y+z*z)
c initialization.
      sedgl=0
      valmax=1.e35
      valmin=-1.e35
      edgemx=valmin
      edgemn=valmax
      do 20 ie=1,nedges
        mult=nconn(3,ie)
        n1=nconn(1,ie)
        n2=nconn(2,ie)
        x=datnod(1,n2)-datnod(1,n1)
        y=datnod(2,n2)-datnod(2,n1)
        z=datnod(3,n2)-datnod(3,n1)
        edgl=size(x,y,z)
        sedgl=sedgl+mult*edgl
        if(edgl.gt.edgemx)then
          edgemx=edgl
          mxedge=ie
        endif
        if(edgl.lt.edgemn)then
          edgemn=edgl
          mnedge=ie
        endif
      enddo

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        endif
20    continue
    avedge=sedgl/nunknb
c compute tarea,avarea,mnarea,areamn,mxarea,areamx, ratio,and mnrtio.
    ratio=valmax
    areamx=valmin
    areamn=valmax
    tarea=0.
    do 40 iface=1,nfaces
        is1=nbound(1,iface)
        is2=nbound(2,iface)
        is3=nbound(3,iface)
        call facvtx(nconn,nedges,is1,is2,is3,nv1,nv2,nv3)
        call vtxcrd(datnod,nnodes,nv1,nv2,nv3,x1,x2,x3,y1,y2,y3,z1,z2,z3
    >)
        x1mx3=x1-x3
        y1my3=y1-y3
        z1mz3=z1-z3
        x2mx3=x2-x3
        y2my3=y2-y3
        z2mz3=z2-z3
        x2mx1=x2-x1
        y2my1=y2-y1
        z2mz1=z2-z1
c compute area of face by taking the cross product of two edge vectors.
        vx=y1my3*z2mz3-z1mz3*y2my3
        vy=z1mz3*x2mx3-x1mx3*z2mz3
        vz=x1mx3*y2my3-y1my3*x2mx3
        area=.5*size(vx,vy,vz)
c compute the square of the lengths of each side.
        r1s=x2mx3*x2mx3+y2my3*y2my3+z2mz3*z2mz3
        r2s=x1mx3*x1mx3+y1my3*y1my3+z1mz3*z1mz3
        r3s=x2mx1*x2mx1+y2my1*y2my1+z2mz1*z2mz1
c compute the height to base ratios.
        area2=area+area
        htb1=area2/r1s
        htb2=area2/r2s
        htb3=area2/r3s
        htbmin=amin1(htb1,htb2,htb3)
        tarea=tarea+area
        if(area.gt.areamx)then
            mxarea=iface
            areamx=area
        endif
        if(area.lt.areamn)then
            mnarea=iface
            areamn=area
        endif
        if(htbmin.lt.ratio)then

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        mnrtio=iface
        ratio=htbmin
    endif
40  continue
    avarea=tarea/nfaces
    write(3,110)
110  format(/25x,'body parameter list'//)
    write(3,111) nnodes,nedges,nfaces,nunknb,nbody
111  format(10x,'number of vertices=',i5,/10x,'number of edges=',i5,/10
>x,'number of faces=',i5,/10x,'number of edges including multiplici
>ty=',i5,/10x,'number of bodies=',i5)
    write(3,205)
205  format(/25x,'modeling parameter list (meters)'//)
    write(3,206) tarea
206  format(10x,'surface area of the scatterer=',e12.5,1x,'sq.meters')
    write(3,209) avedge,mxedge,edgemx,mnedge,edgemn
209  format(10x,'average edge length=',1e12.5,1x,'meters',
$/10x,'maximum edge length(edge no.',i5,')=',e12.5,1x,'meters',
$/10x,'minimum edge length(edge no.',i5,')=',e12.5,1x,'meters')
    write(3,210) avarea,mxarea,areamx,mnarea,areamn
210  format(10x,'average face area =',e12.5,1x,'sq.meters',/10x,
$/10x,'maximum face area (face no.',i5,1x,')=',e12.5,1x,'sq.meters',/
$/10x,'minimum face area (face no.',i5,1x,')=',e12.5,1x,'sq.meters')
    write(3,211) mnrtio,ratio
211  format(10x,'minimum face height to base ratio (face no.',
$/i5,1x,')=',e11.5)
    if((areamn.lt.1.e-10).or.(ratio.lt.1.e-10)) then
        write(6,*) 'TRIANGLES WITH ZERO AREA'
        stop
    endif
    return
end

=====
      subroutine facvtx(nconn,nedges,ie1,ie2,ie3,nv1,nv2,nv3)
=====
c nv1 is node opposite edge ie1.
c nv2 is node opposite edge ie2.
c nv3 is node opposite edge ie3.
      integer nconn(3,nedges)
c the node nv1 is the node that edges 2 and 3 have in common.
c the node nv3 is the other node on edge 2.
      if(nconn(1,ie2).eq.nconn(1,ie3).or.nconn(1,ie2).eq.nconn(2,ie3))
$then
        nv1=nconn(1,ie2)
        nv3=nconn(2,ie2)
      else
        nv1=nconn(2,ie2)
        nv3=nconn(1,ie2)
      endif

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c the node nv2 is the node that edges 1 and 3 have in common.
  if(nconn(1,ie1).eq.nconn(1,ie3).or.nconn(1,ie1).eq.nconn(2,ie3))
    $then
      nv2=nconn(1,ie1)
    else
      nv2=nconn(2,ie1)
    endif
  return
end

=====
c
  subroutine vtxcrd(datnod,nnodes,n1,n2,n3,x1,x2,x3,y1,y2,y3,z1,z2,
    >z3)
=====
c
  dimension datnod(3,nnodes)
  x1=datnod(1,n1)
  y1=datnod(2,n1)
  z1=datnod(3,n1)
  x2=datnod(1,n2)
  y2=datnod(2,n2)
  z2=datnod(3,n2)
  x3=datnod(1,n3)
  y3=datnod(2,n3)
  z3=datnod(3,n3)
  return
end

=====
c
  subroutine edgfac(nconn,nedges,nbound,nfaces,iedgf,mult1)
=====
c input:
c edge ie runs from vertex nconn(1,ie) to vertex nconn(2,ie)
c and has multiplicity nconn(3,ie).
c face iface has edges nbound(j,iface) j=1,2,3
c mult1 is set in the main program and mult1-1.ge.the
c maximum multiplicity of any edge.
c output:
c array iedgf for an edge with multiplicity mult
c iedgf(1,ie)=the lowest numbered face connected to edge ie.
c iedgf(2,ie)=the next lowest numbered face connected to ie.
c .....
c iedgf(mm,ie)=the last face connected to ie.
c where mm is the number of faces connected to edge ie.
  integer nconn(3,nedges),nbound(3,nfaces),iedgf(mult1,nedges)
c initialize the array iedgf.
  do 5 ie=1,nedges
    do 6 m=1,mult1
      iedgf(m,ie)=0
    6 continue
  5 continue
c fill array iedgf.

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do 100 ie=1,nedges
  multie1=nconn(3,ie)+1
  m=0
  do 50 if=1,nfaces
    if(m.ge.multie1)go to 100
    if(ie.eq.nbound(1,if).or.ie.eq.nbound(2,if).or.ie.eq.
$ nbound(3,if))then
      m=m+1
      iedgf(m,ie)=if
    endif
50  continue
100 continue
  write(3,*) ' '
  do 200 ie=1,nedges
    write(3,201)ie
    write(3,*)(iedgf(m,ie),m=1,nconn(3,ie)+1)
200 continue
201 format(1x,'edge',i5,' is attached to faces ',)
  return
end

c=====
      subroutine edgcp(nnodes,nedges,datnod,nconn,nunknb
> ,iedgf,mult1,nbound,nfaces)
c=====
c input:
c nnodes=the number of body nodes.
c nedges=the number of edges.
c nunknb=the number of body unknowns before considering the
c symmetry plane attachments.
c mult1=the maximum allowed multiplicity for an edge plus 1.
c nfaces=the number of faces.
c datnod(i,n)=the x,y,z components(i=1,2,3) of the nth node n=1,nnodes.
c nconn(i,ie) i=1,2,3: edge ie (ie=1,nedges) runs from node nconn(1,ie)
c to nconn(2,ie) and has multiplicity nconn(3,ie)(before any symmetry
c plane attachments are considered).
c nbound(j,iface) j=1,2,3 are the three edges attached to face
c number iface. iface=1,nfaces.
c iedgf(m,ie) m=1,...,nconn(3,ie)+1 contains the faces attached to edge
c number ie (before any symmetry plane attachments are considered).
c ie=1,...,nedges.
c output:
c for each edge ie that is connected to at least one a p.e.c. symmetry plane
c the number of body unknowns(nunknb) is incremented by 1.
c the edge vertex connection list with edge multiplicities is outputted
c after accounting for all symmetry plane attachments.
      dimension datnod(3,nnodes),nconn(3,nedges),igndp(3),
> iedgf(mult1,nedges),nbound(3,nfaces)
      common/gplane/ngndp,igndp
      logical lfcpmc

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c      save /gplane/
      if (ngndp.gt.0) then
c if the maximum distance from an edge to a symmetry plane is less than or
c equal to edged, the edge is assumed connected to that symmetry plane.
      edged=1e-7
      do 100 ie=1,nedges
        n1=nconn(1,ie)
        n2=nconn(2,ie)
        x1=abs(datnod(1,n1))
        y1=abs(datnod(2,n1))
        z1=abs(datnod(3,n1))
        x2=abs(datnod(1,n2))
        y2=abs(datnod(2,n2))
        z2=abs(datnod(3,n2))
        xm=amax1(x1,x2)
        ym=amax1(y1,y2)
        zm=amax1(z1,z2)
        ix=0
        iy=0
        iz=0
        if(xm.le.edged) ix=igndp(1)
        if(ym.le.edged) iy=igndp(2)
        if(zm.le.edged) iz=igndp(3)
        npec=-(amin0(ix,0)+amin0(iy,0)+amin0(iz,0))
        npmc=amax0(ix,0)+amax0(iy,0)+amax0(iz,0)
        if(npec.ge.1) then
c case edge is attached to at least pec
          nunknb=nunknb+1
          nconn(3,ie)=nconn(3,ie)+1
        endif
100    continue
      endif
      write(3,29)
29    format(/14x,'edge-vertex connection list'/)
      do 40 i=1,nedges
        write(3,331) i,nconn(1,i),nconn(2,i),nconn(3,i)
40    continue
331   format(3x,'edge',i5,' goes from vertex',i5,' to vertex',i5,
$' mult=',i3)
      return
      end

c=====
      subroutine prntbnd(nconn,nbound,istart,i,nedges,nfaces,nbodys)
c=====
c this subroutine prints the edges and the vertices of each face.
c input:
c nconn has the vertices and the multiplicity factor for each edge.
c nbound has the edges for each face.
c istart has the beginning faces for each body.

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c i is the present body.
c nedges is the total number of edges.
c nfaces is the total number of faces.
c nbodys is the total number of bodys.
    integer nconn(3,nedges),nbound(3,nfaces),istart(nbodys+1)
    integer nverts(10000,3)
    open(20,file='node1.m')
    open(21,file='node2.m')
    open(22,file='node3.m')
c loop through the faces of this body.
    do 10 i10=istart(i),istart(i+1)-1
        call facvtx(nconn,nedges,nbound(1,i10),nbound(2,i10),
>nbound(3,i10),nv1,nv2,nv3)
        write(3,98)i10,nbound(1,i10),nbound(2,i10),nbound(3,i10),nv1,nv2
>,nv3
c write face number and vertices to 'facedat'
c    write(9,*)i10,nv1,nv2,nv3
        write(20,100) nv1
        write(21,100) nv2
        write(22,100) nv3
        nverts(i10,1)=nv1
        nverts(i10,2)=nv2
        nverts(i10,3)=nv3
10    continue
98    format(1x,'face',i5,' has edges',3i5,' with vertices',3i5)
100    format(i6)
        return
    end

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Subroutines GEOM, FACETCK, and AXB are used here. Listings appear in Appendix A.

APPENDIX G: MATLAB GEOMETRY VIEWER (PLTPATCH)

PLTPATCH uses the data files produced by BLDMAT to plot the "inpatch" geometry. PLTPACH has flags that can be changed by the user to choose between wire grid, 3D, and 3D with hidden lines.

```
% Program to read "buildn5" data and plot it in MATLAB
% node (x,y,z) coordinates
clear
clf
% legend:
%   icur=0: plot wire grid
%   icur=1: surface plot (with hidden lines)
%   icur=2: surface plot with current intensities
%   icur=3: plot currents for a "deck walk"
icur=0;
load xpts.m
load ypts.m
load zpts.m
nverts=length(xpts);
% node connection list
load end1.m
load end2.m
nedges=length(end1);
% face connection list
load node1.m
load node2.m
load node3.m
nfaces=length(node3);
% load vind array which gives the three nodes for each triangle
for i=1:nfaces
    pts=[node1(i) node2(i) node3(i)];
    vind(i,:)=pts;
end
% Read currents if intensities are to be plotted
if icur==2
    load currents.m
    currents=10*log10(currents+1.e-10);
    minc=min(currents);
    maxc=max(currents);
    currents=(currents-minc)/(maxc-minc);
end
% This section plots a mesh
if icur==0
    for i=1:nfaces
        X=[xpts(vind(i,1)) xpts(vind(i,2)) xpts(vind(i,3)) xpts(vind(i,1))];
        Y=[ypts(vind(i,1)) ypts(vind(i,2)) ypts(vind(i,3)) ypts(vind(i,1))];
        Z=[zpts(vind(i,1)) zpts(vind(i,2)) zpts(vind(i,3)) zpts(vind(i,1))];
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        plot3(X,Y,Z,'m')
        if i == 1
            axis equal
        view(60,45)
        hold on
        end
        end
        end
    % This section plots surfaces (therefore can use hidden)
    if icur~=0
    % length 64 map
        colormap(hot)
        currents=currents*64;
        it=0;
        for i=1:nfaces
            it=it+1;
            X=[xpts(vind(i,1)) xpts(vind(i,1)) ; xpts(vind(i,2)) xpts(vind(i,3))];
            Y=[ypts(vind(i,1)) ypts(vind(i,1)) ; ypts(vind(i,2)) ypts(vind(i,3))];
            Z=[zpts(vind(i,1)) zpts(vind(i,1)) ; zpts(vind(i,2)) zpts(vind(i,3))];
    % Save handles for each triangle
            if it==1
                axis equal
            view(60,45)
            hold on
            end
            if icur==2
                C=[floor(currents(i)) floor(currents(i)) ; ...
                    floor(currents(i)) floor(currents(i))];
                splt(it)=surf(X,Y,Z,C);
            end
            if icur==1
                splt(it)=surf(X,Y,Z);
                set(splt(it),'facecolor','black');
            end
    % fill3(X,Y,Z,C);
    % patch(x,y,z)
            set(splt(it),'edgecolor','white');
            end
            end
    % label nodes if desired
        ilabn=1;
        if ilabn==0
            for i=1:nverts
                text(xpts(i),ypts(i),zpts(i),num2str(i))
            end
        end
    % label edges
        ilabe=0;
        if ilabe==0

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for i=1:nedges
    xav=(xpts(end1(i))+xpts(end2(i)))/2.;
    yav=(ypts(end1(i))+ypts(end2(i)))/2.;
    zav=(zpts(end1(i))+zpts(end2(i)))/2.;
    text(xav,yav,zav,num2str(i))
end
end
end
axis square
xlabel('x')
ylabel('y')
zlabel('z')
hold off
delx=max(xpts)-min(xpts);
dely=max(ypts)-min(ypts);
delz=max(zpts)-min(zpts);
del=max([delx dely delz]);
axis([min(xpts),min(xpts)+del,min(ypts),min(ypts)+del,...
      min(zpts),min(zpts)+del])

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